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## PREFACE.

THE present Volume, "The Story of the Children of Lir," forms the third of the Series of Reading Books in the Irish Language, published by the Society.

Though by no means so modern, either in its language or style, as the last work issued by the Society, it can lay claim to a popularity scarcely inferior to that in which the "Pursuit of Diarmuid and Gráinne" is held. In the imaginative tales of Irish literature, partly founded on fact, and partly on fiction, it is classed amongst what are generally known as "Thi thuaige na Széalaigeacta," i.e., "The Three Sorrows of Story-Telling," the two others being, "The Exile of the Children of Uisnech,"

and "The Fate of the Children of Tuireann," stories held in high favour with the bards, story-tellers, and romance writers of Ireland.

Writing upon these stories, in the third vol. of the "Atlantis," p. 390, the late Professor O'Curry, C.U.I., assigned a higher antiquity to the two last mentioned than he did to the "Tale of the Children of Lir," remarking that he had never met with any allusion or reference to it in the ancient MSS. At the same time, he was inclined to believe, and many will agree with him, that the interspersed little poems argued for it a far higher antiquity than the prose would have induced him to believe, and this led him on to the assumption that the entire piece was, perhaps, at one time in verse, and of the same antiquity as the generality of what are called "Oisin's Poems."

Still, apart from its claims to antiquity, the story is one so popular, and so widely known, that there are few students of Irish mythical lore who have not become ac-

quainted, in a general manner at least, with the fortunes of the ill-fated "Children of Lir," whose "tale of woes" begins with that portion of Irish history which marks the close of the "Tuatha de Danann" rule, and the accession of the Milesians to sovereign power in Ireland. This change the Battle of Telltown effected, · and it is to this event the story at its opening passingly alludes. From that time the Tuatha de Dananns had but a mythical existence, having, after their disastrous defeat at Telltown, voluntarily retired to the pleasant hills and plains of Erinn, where amongst themselves they still formally adhered to the titles, and claimed the privileges of rulers. Their first king under these altered circumstances was Bodhbh Dearg, chosen at a convention, attended, as the story relates, by chiefs of the Tuatha de Dananns "from all parts of the five provinces of Erinn." Lir of Sioth Fionnachaidh repudiated their choice, considering that he himself was better entitled to the distinction. He left the assembly and departed home.

Notwithstanding this, he afterwards met his truest friend in his successful rival, and the death of Lir's wife placed it in the power of Bodhbh Dearg to offer to him, as evidence of his friendly feelings, Aobh, the daughter of Oillel of Ara, in marriage. Lir accepted this offer of Bodhbh Dearg, and Lir and Aobh were united. It so happened that their union was but a short one; for after the birth of two sons, Fiachra and Conn, Aobh died, and Lir "would almost have died of grief were it not for the greatness of love with which his mind rested on his four children," two others, Fionnghuala and Aodh, having previously been born. Bodhbh Dearg, anxious that the alliance of friendship he had contracted with Lir should not thereby be impaired, proffered to him Aoife, the sister of Aobh, in marriage, and Lir willingly accepted this second token of the king's friendly disposition towards him, and an union was immediately effected. For a while all went well; but soon the jealousy of Aoife was aroused by the affection with which

Lir and the Tuatha de Dananns regarded the children of her dead sister Aobh; and one day, as they bathed in Loch Dairbhreach, she transformed them, by her magic power, into four swans, and doomed them to drift on the lakes and by the shores of Erinn for the space of nine hundred years, till the day when the spell of their enchantment should be broken. This, by a beautiful idea, suggestive, it would seem, of the early Christian date and authorship of the piece, is made by the story, to coincide with the arrival of Saint Patrick, and the dawn of Christianity in Ireland.

The story proceeds to give their different adventures, their feelings, their sufferings, and finally concludes with their return to their native place, and their restoration by a disciple of Saint Patrick to their human forms, immediately prior to their death.

With modern writers in this department of Irish literature the story has been a popular one. Upon it Thomas Moore, our national poet, founded the lines, "The song of Fionuala," and Gerald Griffin included it, in a readable and attractive form, in his "Tales of the Juryroom."

The Irish text of the story is founded upon the version which the late Professor O'Curry supplied for vol. iv. of the "Atlantis." He observed that he had great difficulty in compiling it, in the form in which it there appeared, none of the MSS. which had the story having it complete, and those upon which he was obliged to rely were, he adds, "rude and defective, and almost worthless, from their corrupt orthography." It was only after collating six MSS, in Dublin and bringing up the orthography to the standard of the best MS. he had, that he was enabled to supply the deficiencies of which he complained, and prepare a complete version for publication.

The corrupt orthography to which O'Curry alluded was not entirely eliminated from that version, and some words found their way into

print, the orthography of which was evidently based on the pronunciation they had, and still possess, in the language, as it is spoken. It is obvious that these errors escaped O'Curry's attention, as many of the same words reappear in their correct forms, and the work would, no doubt, have been entirely free from them had he lived to supervise his patriotic labours. In this edition, besides correcting these errors, the orthography has also, for the greater convenience of the student, been assimilated so that the same word may not appear in different forms, as is the case in the volume referred to.

O'Curry's notes and references are also embodied in this edition. His English translation has also been availed of; nor has it been departed from to any appreciable extent, as it was deemed sufficiently literal to be of use to the student of Irish, and, at the same time, interesting and readable to the general lovers of Irish literature.

With the aid of the vocabulary appended to the work, in which only those

meanings are given which they bear in the text, the student, should he so desire, will be enabled to obtain for himself a more literal translation. He will also find, in many instances, that the meanings in the vocabulary have been illustrated by extracts from the text itself, many of the passages selected for that purpose being those for which a more literal explanation was deemed desirable.

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### ARGUMENT.

1. Tale opens. 2. Convention of the five kings to elect an Ard-Righ. 3. Their names and their choice of Bodhbh-Dearg. 4. Lir dissenting leaves the Convention. 5. His wife dies. 6. He finds a friend in Bodhbh-Dearg. 7. Lir sets out to Bodhbh-Dearg, who gives him a cordial greeting. 8, The marriage of Aobh, the daughter of Oilioll Arran, with Lir. 9. Their return together. 10. Births of a daughter and three sons, viz., Fionnghuala and Aodh; Fiachra and Conn. and death of Aobh. 11. Mourning at the Sioth of Bodhbh-Dearg. 12. Lir at Bodhbh-Dearg's request espouses Aoife. the sister of Aobh. 13. Bodhbh-Dearg's love and that of the Tuatha De Danann for the children of Aobh. 14. Aoife's jealousy. 15. She contemplates their destruction, 16. She fails to combine her attendants in her designs. 17. She transforms Fionnghuala and her three brothers into swans on Lough Dairbhreach. 18. Fionnghuala demands a period to be set on their sufferings. 19. Aoife complies, appointing three hundred years to be spent on Lough Dairbhreach, three hundred on Sruth Na Maoil, and a similar period at Iorrus Domhnann. 20. She grants them certain privileges. 21. She leaves them and sets out to Bodhbh-Dearg. 22. His inquiries for the children. She prevaricates. 23. His suspicions aroused, he sends messengers to Lir. 24. Surprised at the news, Lir sets out in search of the children and arrives at Lough Dairbhreach. 25. His astonishment at hearing the human voices of the swans. 26. Fionnghuala reveals herself to him. the cause of their ruin and their sad fate. 27. Lir's lament. 28. Fionnghuala relates the privileges granted to them as swans, and invites Lir and his people to encamp at Lough Dairbhreach. 29. Lir consents. His parting farewell. 30. He arrives at the Sioth of Bodhbh-Dearg: makes known to Bodhbh-Dearg his children's fate. 31. Bodhbh-Dearg's surprise at the news, 32. In revenge Bodhbh-Dearg transforms Aoife into a demon of the air. 33. Arrival of Bodhbh-Dearg and his people at Lough Dairbhreach, and their intercourse with the swans. 34. Their encampment at Lough Dairbhreach for three hundred years. Fionnghuala intimates to her brothers the expiration of the first period of their enchantment. 35. Their

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## orde cloinne lin siosana.

1. 10mtur Cuat De Danann ó cat Caillten anuar.

2. Το τιοπριιξενορι ορ ξας άιριο το είτις είτις ενόλιδ Ειρεληπ, το ηλδατορι α η-λοη λοπολό, αξυρα η-λοη δαίλε comarple. Αξυρα τύδη ατορι παιτέ τυλτ το Τοληληπ. Τρεάρη το τιπη, αρ γιατο, λοη μις το δειτ ορυιπη, ηλ δειτ το τοίλιτε παρι ατάπαοιτο, ας γοζηλιπ

vo piścib eile ap read Cipeann.

η-αοη ἀσιπαιρίε, αἐς αη ςύιξεαρ γιη αξ α μαίδε γύιί le μιξε σ'ράξαιί. Αξυρ τρ ί cómαιρίε αρ αρ ειππεαό ακα, αη μιξε το ἐαδαιρι το Βούδ Θεαρς πας αη Θαξοα, αρ τρι h-άὐ- βαραίδ .ι. αρ ἐεαδυρ α αὰαρ; αρ α ἐεαδυρ ρέτη, αξυρ αρ α δειὰ πα ἐτπηρεαρ είστηπε αη Θαξοα τό.

- 4. 0 כיושלשול לוף אח חולפ סס לשלשותד סס boob Deans, níon mait leir é, azur virás ré an t-aonac agur an t-oineactar gan cead, zan cerleabhao oo các, óin oo faoil zun ba όό τέιη το δέληταιός ηιζε αζης τιζεληπας; agur se gun fás re an c-aonac agur an c-oinesccar, ní Lúzaive vo niozav boob Deanz; όιη πίομ ζαιδ αοιη τεαη σ'οη ζύιζεαη τη ζυιζε zan an niże o'fażail vo réin act lin ann a aonan. Azur vo cinneso aco lin vo leanmain αζυγ α τεα c το lorcat, αζυγ α cun réin ro żuin zae azur cloroim, vo cionn zan úmla vo ταθαιμο σο'η τέ σα σ-συζασαμ réin μίζε αζυρ ciżespnar. Ni véancap an comamble rin linn, an boob Deans, oin vo cornorav an reap pin an chioc inab-ruil, azur ni lúzaroe ir mig mire an tuat De Vanann gan é pin vo beit umal vam.
- 5. To bávan real rava ro'n ramail rin. Act ceans, tapla tubairt món vo lin .i. a

bain-céile o'fágail báir vo galan thí n-oivée. Agur vo cuin rin go món an lin, gun buò tuintroc leir a meanmna va h-éir; agur vo buò món an rgéal eig na mná rin 'na h-aimpin réin.

6. Αξυγου clor το Ειμιπη υιλε απ τρέαλ γιη, αξυγ μάιτης το λοπτρομε πια απ δάξοα παμα α μαδασαμ παιτε τυατ θε θαπαπη α π-αοπιοπαν. Α υύδαιμε δούδ θεαμς: θαπαό άιλ λε λιη, αμ τέ, νο δυό παιτ πο έσηπαπης, αξυγ πο έάιμοιος νό, ό πάς παιμιοπη α δεαπατςε, νόιξ απ, ατάιν αξαπγα πα τρί h-ιπξίοπα τη τεάμη νεαλό, αξυγ νέαπαπ, αξυγ τυαμυγεδάιλ νά δ-τυιλ α π-Ειμιπη π. Αού, Αοιτε, αξυγ Δίλδε π. τρί h-ιπξίοπα Οιλιολλα Αμαπη, αξυγ πο τρι δμοπη-ναλτανά τέπ. Α νύδηαναμ τυατα θε θαπαπη τομ παιτ απ κοιημάν τη, αξυγ τομ δ'μίομ.

υπό δοιης ογ loc δοιης ότης, αξυγ το γεαματό γάιλτο γητη απη, αξυγ το υπό γύδα γο παιταπα το γιτεόλατο το παιταπα απο το γιτεόλατο το παιταπα απο οπό το γιτ.

9. Cόις τόιος το Lip γαη δαίλε γιη, αξυγ απηγίη, μυς Δοδ λεις τά τίξ γέιη 50 η-τοεαμπατο μίος-δαίπις μό πόμ λεις απη.

το. Αζυς της ότας της τορία απ ιπότοπτοθέρηση, τορμάς, αζυς το μυς τιας το τοιμε διας το ποίμε διας το ποίμε διας το ποίμε διας Ασυς Ασύ, απ-αππάπηα. Αζυς ταρία τοιμέτος οιθε τί, οτυς το μυς τιας πας, ξιαέμα, αζυς Conn α π-αππάπηα; αζυς τυαιμ γί τέπ δάς ας α m-δρειτ. Αζυς το τυιμ γιη το πόρ αμ λιμ, αζυς πυπά m-δειτ πέατ το λιις α αιζηε

an a čestnan cloinné, ir beag nác b-ruije

bár va cúmaio.

13. Αξυρ το τίξενο θούδ Θελης το minic το Sioτ Lip, το ξηλό πα cloinne pin; αξυρ το δειρεκό Leip τα τίξ ρέιπ ιατη μέ h-εκό αξυρ μέ h-αταιό κατα; αξυρ το Leigesό ταμ αιρ τά το-τίξ ρέιπ αμίρ ιατο. Αξυρ το δίτις Τυατα Θε Όλη παπα απα ταπ μπα τα ταιτίο π τλείτε Λοιρε απα τα δίτο καιρα το τίξο το διοτ τά ρελό; αξυρ απ υλιη το τίξο το διοτ λιη τρ τα απα τελεμαρι μπα κά h-ύμξαρτυτζαό, αξυρ κά h-ύμρισελό τοιδ, αμ

reabur a n-veilbe ocur a n-véanmura; azur ir ann vo luizoir vo znát a n-iomóaib an béalaib a n-atan; azur v' einzeav [lin] zo moc vo ló zaca maione azur vo luizeav amearz a cloinne.

14. Αστ ατά πί σεαπα, το συσιό τους έατα α π-Λοιγε το μπ, αξυρ τυς ματ αξυρ μίορπιορταιρ το σίσιπη α ρεαταρ, αξυρ το ίξις ξαλαρ δρέιξε τά h-ιοπηραίζε, ξο μαιδ δυπατάρ δίποπα 'γα πξαλαρ μπ, αξυρ τρ εατό το μιππε ιαρ μπ, πεαδαίλ ξηαππα, αξυρ μιοπέαλ έατοπαρ ιοπούτραστας το τέαπαπ αμ σίσιπη λιμ.

15. Azur lán-aon vo h-innlioù a capbav vi, azur nuz lé ceathan cloinne lin 'ran z-capbav; azur nainiz noimpe rá'n ramail rin v'ionnraize tíze Öuiòb Öeinz; azur níon b'áil le rionnzuala vul an aoinnian lé, óin tuz aitne uinne zo naib an tí a mille, no a manbta; óin tántar vi nún reille, azur rionzaile a n-aizne Aoire. Act ceana, níon réav pi a h-eimneað vo reachað, 'ná an t-éavualanz vo bí a n-ván ví.

16. Δχυρ το ζίναιρ Δοιρε α Síot Fronnacaro; αχυρ α το τό δαιρε Δοιρε με α πυιπτιμιαμ ριπ: "Παμιδαιό," αμ ρί, " ceathan cloinne Lip αμ αμ τρέιχεαό πο χρά τα le n-a n-a ταιμ, αχυρ

vo béan bun m-bheit réin vib vo zac maitior an voman." "Av, 1011," an riav, "ní muinbritean linne 120, azur 17 olo an zniom vo rmuainir, azur buó mirve tú a luav."

17. Αξυγ ό πάρ κοσπασαρ γιη σο σέαπαϊ, τυς γέιη ελοισισία απας σο παρβασ αξυγ σο πιλλεασ ελοιπης λευγ σο βας α βαπησας αξυγ α βιτ-πεατας, αξυγ α βταριπα α α h-αιξιοπτα σι, γιη σο σέαπαϊ; αξυγ τάη-ξασαρ αγ γιαρ το τράιξ λοςα Όαιρδριας, αξυγ σο γευιμεασ α η-εαςμα απη γιη, αξυγ σο ιαμη γιγι αρ ελοιπη λιρι α β-γοτραξασ σο σέαπαπ, αξυγ συλ σο γιαιπ αρ απλος: αξυγ σο ριπηεασαρ απιαιλ α σύβαιρτ λοιγε λεο. Αξυγ παρ γυαιρ λοιγε αρ απλος 1ασ, δυαιλιογ σο έλει το ριοιξιοςτα 1ασ, αξυγ σο ελειπη, η-αοιηξιλίας; αξυγ σο ριπηε απλοισ απι:—

Δπας ταοιδ α είαπη απ μιξ,

Το γταμαγ δύμ γίοι με γέαπ;

Το δύμ το τάμνοιδ τη γτεαι τημας,

διαιό δύμ π-μαιι με μ-εαιταιδ έαπ.

Δ δαιόδ! μο έεασαπαιμ τ-αιηπ,
Το έμασταις τα εαταμ της,
Sinn τέ τυμτασι τυτης αμ τυτης,
διαιόπίο γεαδ ό μιης το μιης.

Ro żeabam cabain zan čleić,
Oo żeabam noża azur naż,
Acz zé luioriom an an loć,
An meanmna vo buo moć amać.

18. A h-citle na laoide pin tuzadap clanna lip ioná z-ceathap a n-aizte a n-éinfeact ap an inżin, azur do labaip fionnżuala lé, azur ir éad no páid: Ir old an zníom do pinnip, a Aoire, azur rór ir old an comall capadpaid duit ap millead zan ádbap, azur díożaltap opt zo rollar é, azur tuitrip ann, óip ni reápp do comactaro ap ap milleadne, 'ná dpoidioet ap z-capadne ap a díożalt opt; azur tabaip tpéimre azur ceann duinn ap an millead tuzair oppainn.

19. Το δέαμ ιοποιμο, αμ Δοιμε, αξυμη πητος όμις α ιαμματό ομπ .1. πό 50 5- comμας καιό απ δεαπα π-σεαμ αξυμ απ μεαμα το συμού .1. Γαιμ-ξηκή πας δοθάτις .1. πας μίξ Κοππας, αξυμ Το σος ιπέξεαπ μιπέχιπ, πις Δούα Αλαιπη, μίξ Μυμαπ; αξυμ τι συαλαιπς ςαμαιτο πα ςομαίτα το δο δ-μιλ αξαίδ δύμ π-δηειτ αμπα μεασταίδ μιπ, ό το μίμιομαιμ έ αμ μεαστυμη κοξαίλ, πό 50 μαδέαοι τμί σέατο δλιασαίπ αμ λος Ταιμβριας; αξυμ τρί σέατο δλιασαίπ αμ δριυτ πα Μαοιλειτιμ ειμιπη αξυμ Αλδαίπ;

αξυς τρί τέαο bliadaina n-10μμας Oomnainn, αξυς α n-1níς Sluaine bhéanainn; αξυς bud h-1αο γιη bun n-imteacta reagoa.

20. Αξυγ το ξαδ αιτρεαίας απη γιη Δοιρε, αξυγ α σύδαιμε: "ό πάς γέασαι πα απο καδαιμ υιλε το τάδαιμε ορμαίδ γεαγοα, διαιό δύη η-ύμλαδηα γέιη αξαιδ; αξυγ καιγαίδε κεόλ γίρεα καίδες κριγ α ξ-κοισεόλολοις κιη απο δεατά, αξυγ ποκά π-διαιό κεόλ γα σοιπαία απακραίλα; αξυγ διαιό δύη σ-τρεόιη αξυγ δύη η-οιηδεαρτ αξαιδ; αξυγ ποκά ξ-κυιργιό ορμαίδ δειτ ιη δύη η-έαπαιδ;" αξυγ α σύδαιητ απλαιό:—

"Παοι 5-cέαν διιαύαιη ύαοιδ αμ πίμη,
1 μπης το όμη της όειζς,
Πο 50 μαδέαοι α η-1ηίρ διμαίρ
Όση ταοδ ήτας έμαιο τ'θημης.

"10nnpaigió amac an Maoil,—
buó cópa öaoib beit vom' péip,—
50 5-compacpaió Laipgnén ip Deoc;
pava vo neac beit a b-péin.

"Choide Lin 'na chotal chó,
Ciờ mớn an uncan n-áig hó teilg;
Ir raot liom ornad an laoic luinn,
Siờ mire no tuill a feang."

21. Δ h-aitle na laoide μη νο ξαθαό α h-eic ν'Δοιμε, αξυμ νο h-innlead α caμβαν, αξυμ τάπης μοι μρε ξο δίο τ θυιό θ θειμς; αξυμ νο μεαμαό μάι τε μια αξ ματίθ απ βαι ε; αξυμ ν' μιαμαίξ μας απ θαξύα δί εμέαν υμ πας της clanna τη τέ να ισημαίξιο μέτη.

22. "A véappa piot," ap an ingion, "nac ionmuinte lip tupo, agup nác taipipe leip a clann vo cup cugav ap eagla a ngabála vuit."

23. "17 1015 nao Liompa pin," an Doob Deans, "óin ir tainire Liompa an clann pin, na mo clann péin;" agur tus Doob da uide sunab ceals do ninne an insion custa; asur ir éad do ninn, teacta do cun bud tuaid so Síot Fionnacaid. Asur piarpiaisior Lin cid uma detansada. "An ceann do cloinneri," an piad. "An é nac nánsadan cusaid maille ne h-Aoire," an Lin. "ní nánsadan," an na teacta, "asur a dúbaint Aoire sun turo nan léis lé iad."

24. buò ούδος, σοδρόπος lip σο πο γξέα laib

pin, óin oo tuis sunab í Aoire oo mill, nó oo mant a clann. Asur oo sabao a eic a moc na maione an n-a mánac oo lin asur námis 'ran rlíse piantear saca n-oíneac nó so námis so tháis loca Daintheac; asur oo conncavan clanna lin an mancfluais cuca, asur a vúbaint fionnsuala an laoió:—

" Mocean το παριτίναι τη πα n-eac,
Το cim laim με loc Ταιμδμεας;
Τρεαπ cimactac ciamain το beact
Τ'αρ n-iapparo, τ'αρ n-iapmóineact.

" Ομυτοιοπ μέ h-οιμιομ, α Δοό,
Α βιαόμα, αξυρ α Ουιπη όαοιπ,
Πί ρυαιξ κά πιπ κιμ πα π-εαό,
Αότ παό υμ αξυρ α τεαξιαό."

25. A h-aitle na laoide γιη, τάιπις lin το h-οιμιομ απ cuain, αξυγ τυς σα αιμε ξίδη σαοπηα σο θειτ ας πα h-έαπαιδ; αξυγ σο γιαγμαις σίοδι είσι γό σεαμα σοιδιξίδη σαοπηα σο δειτ ας α.

26. "Tuigre, a Lip mic Lúigoioc," ap rionnguala, "gupab pinne oo ceachan cloinne, ap
n-ap millead ooc minaoi, agur oo deinbriún ap
mácap réin, thé aingíoioct éada." "An réidin

27. Δη πα όλος για το λια αξυρτα πυιατιμ, τυξαται τηί ξάμτα εύπαιτ, ξυιλ, αξυρτασιατε ός άμτο.

28. "An áillib," an lin, "τεκότ α σ-τιη cuσαιπη ό τά δύη σ-ciall ασυγ δύη σ-cuimne réin
ασαιδ." "Πί ruil cumar ασαιπη," αη rionnguala, "ταοδ το τάδαιητ" με h-αοπουιπε
γεαγοα, αστ ατά αη π-υηλαδηα δαοιόιλσε
γέιη ασαιπη, ασυγ ατά αη σ-cumar συιπη ceól
γίηεαστας το σαπταιπη, ασυγ τη λεόη το το
cineατό σαοπηα uile το γάγαο, δείτ ασ
έιγτεαστ λείγ απ σ-ceól γιη, ασυγ απαιό
ασαιπη αποστ, ασυγ canrom ceól σαοιδ."

29. Vála Lip zona muintip, v'fanavap az éirteact pé ceól na n-ealao, ap bruac loca Vaipbreac, azur vo covlavap zo rám leir, an oroce pin; azur vo éiriz Lip a moc na maivne ap n-a mápac, azur vo pinne an laoro;—

" Ole an réan σά σ-τυχας in δυή χ-ceann, Αοίτε, inχιοη Oiliolla Αμαπη, Το δ-τεαγαίτητη α δ-τυίλ σαοίδ σε, Πί σιοηχησιήτη απ comainte.

"A Fronnguala 'pa Curnn caorin,
A Aoro, 'pa Fracina apm-caorin;
O bopro an cuarn a b-purl prb,
Thratt uarb ni trom ip micro."

30. tomètipa lin, námis nome ar rin so síoè buiòb deins, asur no reanad ráilte rinr ann; asur tusad admirán dó ó bodb deans ra san a clann do éabaint leir. "Thuas rin," an lin, "ní mire nac o-tíobhad mo clann cusat, act doire ann rúd, do dalta réin asur deinbriún a mátan, an n-a s-cun a nioctaib ceithe n-ealad n-aoinseal, an loc Dainbreacab-riadnaire b-reanna h-einionn, asur atá a s-ciall asur a s-conn, a nslón, asur a nsaoidils réin aca."

- 31. δίο όξας δο όδ σο η εξέα τη, αξυς τυξιος ξυη δέριος α η-σύδαις τη, αξυς τυξ α όπυς α α όπος α όπος α όπος α ο όπος ο όπος
- 32. Το τιατριαίς δούδ Όεαρς το Λοιρε cá ριούτ το δυό περα λέ δειτ αρ διτ. Α τύδαιρτ ρητι χυραδ α ριούτ το απαίπ αθότρι. " Curppeara τυγα γαι ριούτ για αποίρ," αρ δούδ Όεαρς. Αχυρ τρ cuma το δί αχα ράδα αχυρ το δυαίλ το Γλειρς τοιλυτε τριοιδιούτα ίτι χυρ το λέις αρ ειτίλλ γό τέατοιη; αχυρ ατά γόρ 'να το απαίπ αθότρι αχυρ διαίδ χο δράτ.

b-pean na h-ennionn sactaoi, asur as compato né a n-oiveavaib, asur ne n-a s-comatraivib, asur ne n-a s-comatraivib, asur ne n-a s-cainvoib uite an ceana; asur no canvaoir ceót rín-binn rite sac n-oive; asur sac aon vo ctumeav an ceót rin, vo covtav so rám rocain, sibé salan nó theabtaoiv rava vo beit ain; no buv rúbac roimeanmnac can éir an ceóit vo canvaoir na h-éin, sac aon vo ctor.

34. Ciò τρά αστ μο βάσαμ απ νά longpopt μπ tilac tililead αζυρ τυατ θε θαπαππ α ν-τίπειοι loca θαιμθηεας αμ ρεασ τρί ε ε αν βιασαπ. Τρ απη τη α νύβαιμτ βιοπητικί μα π. α υβαιμτ βιθ βύμ ν-τρέιπρε νο σαιτιοί απητο, αστ απ οινός αποστ απάιπ." Αζυρ νο ξαβ τυιμτ, αζυρ νοδμόπ άθβα πα πις ό νο συαλαναμ απ γξέα γιη, οιμ νοδί ιοπαπη leó αζυρ βειτ 'πα π-ναοιπιβ, βειτ αμ loc θαιμβηεας, ας αζαλιπαν α ξ-ταμαναιβ αζυρ α ξ-τοπράπασαιβ γεας νυλ αμ έμασς γαιμητς ε γιασανα πα παοιλε βυσ τυαιν.

35. Δζυγ τόπζουση 30 mod ση η-α πόμασ ο'αζαλλπασ α η-οιυε αζυγ α η-αταμ, αζυγ τιοπηαυση ceileaθμασ σόιθ, αζυγ σο μιπηε

Fronnituals an laoro:-

- " Ceilea βραφ όμιτ α Όμισ ὁ Όειρς, Δ ξιοίλα σ'αρ ξιαλί ξας εεάρο, Όμιτρι παρ αση τρ σ'αρ η-αταιρ, Όο λιρ Site Fronnacaro cáro.
- " Τάιπις πιτιο όμιπη, σαη Liom, Σταμαό σα πας εόπηαιεριοπ, Το σ-τί απ θηάτ, α όμεαπ γιαιμε, Σαη αμ η-συί ευταιδ αμ ευαιμο.
- " Racramaoio ar rin σά'η b-ριαπαό, Δ 5-cionn τηί τέαν τειμτ-bliadan, Εόλαγ ιγ πό σά'η b-ριαπαό ann, Σιαη 50 μιπη 10μμαιγ Όσώπαπη.
- "Thi cear bliadain gan feall
  Sian a ninn lonnair Domnann;
  O loc go loc, thuag an vail,
  So g-compactato Deoc it langueán.

"Da h-120 an 5-cuilceada cuanna,

Tonna ráile reant nuada,

10nan 5-ceathan caom cloinne lin

San oidde duinn d'á eartuid'

"Α τηιαμ δηάταμ ας σεαης σηεας, Ειμέεα σ μαιπη ό Loc Όαιμδηεας, Απ σηιοπς συπαστας το μόπισα, 1ς σύδας αποις αμ γεαμας."

36. Δ h-άιτι na laoive γιη, το ξαθγατ αμ eiciollac, το h-άμο, έαττροπ, αέταρτο, πό το μάπτατα βημέ πα Μαοίλε, τοιμ Ειμιπη ατης Albain; ατης το κότρατο ατα αμ γεατο Ειμεαπη γιη; ατης το κότρατο ατα αμ γεατο Ειμεαπη τα maca απ θείτο ατα με α τέαπαπό τη απας.

37. Vob olc an t-aitheab vo cloinn lip beit an Shut na Maoile. Man vo conneadan chiorlac an cuain cóimleatain iona v-timicioll, vo líon ruact agur maoite, agur aitméala iav, agur ní tugavan olc vá b-ruanavan niam noime rin va n-uive, a b-rannaiva b-ruanavan an an rhut rin.

38. Azur vo bávan an Snut na Maoi leno so v-cáinis sloim voininne, oivice áiniste

cuca. Α σύβαιμε Fιonnguala: "Α βμάιτμε ιοππιιπε," αμ γί, "ιγ olc an πίο σο πίπιο, όιμ ιγ cinnce το π-σελίσαιο σοιπιοπη πα h-οιόσε γεο αποσε τές σέιτε γιπη, ατιγ όμουιξιοπ ιοπασειπτε coinne cum a μασαπ, σά σ-συχαό Όια ομμιιπη γταμαό μέ σέιτε." "ξαβαπ α γιμμ," αμ γιασ, "ιοπασ cinnce coinne ατς σαμμαίτς πα μόη, οιμ ιγ σόιπεότας γιπη uite uiμμε."

39. Cιό τμά αὐτ τάιπις πεαύόπ οιόὐε ἀιας, αξιιρο ἀιιμπ απ ἐκοὰ μέ, αξιιρο πέκολιξε ενοκη πα τοππα α υ-τρεαὰπ αξιιρα υ-τορπάπ, αξιιρο tonnpaiξ τειπε ξεαλάιπ, αξιιραάιπις ρχιαδού ξαρθ-απραιό αρ ραυ πα ραιμησε, ιοππαρ ξιιρη γξαραφαρι clanna lip λε ἀείλε αρ ρεαύ απ πόρι-παρια; αξιιρασό ρεαὰμάπ απ ἀιαιπ ἀριρ-λεαὰιπ ορηα, το παὰ ρεαφαίπ απ ἀιαιπ ἀριρ-λεαὰιπ ορηα, το παὰ ρεαφαίπ τορ ραπ δ-ραιμησε ταρ είρ πα σοιπιππε πόιρε ριπ, αξιιρο το δί Γιοπηξιαλα 'πα h-αοπαριαρια απ τριιτ; αξιιρο το δί αξια π-έαξακοιπε το πόρι, το π-σιδαιρια απ λοιού:—

"Απ μιοότ ις παιης ατά beo,
Το γειαταιη το μεόιτ μεαπ ταοιδ
Suaill παμ πιοπαιξ απ ξαοτ τιαπ,
Το τροιτε απ τίιαδ ταμέις Δοιτ.

" Thi cear bliadain an Loc Dainbheac, San out a neactaib raoine, Poilte liom, in ni pamail, mo real an Shut na Maoile.

"10nmun τριαμ, όη ίοη ποι τριαμ
Το ἐουλου τά bun πο ἐλίιπ,
Το υ-τιοτραιο ηα παιμθ το εάέ,
Πί ἐόπμαιτραο το δηάτ 'γα τριαμ.

"Ταρέις Γιαόραό αξυς Δοιό, Αξυς Ευιπη όλοιπ, ξαπα δ-ειος, 1ς εριας π'έμιριος ρις ξας οίς, 1ς παιρς ατά απος απ μιος."

40. 10 πτυρα Γιο πητιαλαπη, το δί αποιό σε ριπ αμ απ 3- σαμμαις 50 τμάτ ειμές το ο' π λό αμ π-α πάμας ας ρειτιο πια ραιμης το ας ας άιμο, 'πα τίποιολλ, 50 δ- ρασα Conn σύισι 50 σε αποτρο πα ελίπο ρείμο είναι ε

42. To bávan, 10monno, clanna lin ne h-eavimician, agur ne n-aimrin fava ag rulang ruacta, agur anfochacta an Shut na Maoile man rin, 50 v-tainic oivide áinigte uile cuca, agur ní b-ruanavan niam noimpe, coimméava neóiv, agur a ruacta, a rneacta agur a 5aoite; agur vo ninne Fionnguala an laoiv:—

"Ole an beata po

puact na h-oroce po,

Méao an t-preacta po,

Chuar na Saorte po.

"17 ann το ἀμπιτιξτιοτ τάπ' ἀροπ-τιαταίδ, Τοηη το τρέαη-τιαρχαίηη, Conn τη καοπ-τιαρκαίη. "To cuin an learmátain Sinn, an ceathan ro, Anott 'ran votan ro, Ir old an beata ro."

43. Ciò τρά αċτ το δάσαρ clanna lin ag rulang ruain-beata man ringo ceann bliatina an Śριυτ na Maoile, σο ριυς οιτό e ορρο αρ beinn Caipinge na Rón, a g-callan lanuain σο ronnpatac, an τ-am rin, agur τεα ταιτίσιος an τ-uirge, agur ruapiaistor sac aon aca iona áit; agur man το δάσαρι αρι an g-capitais το leanavan a g-cora, agur a g-clúm, agur a rgiatáin το capitais, σο náp réatavan con το cup τίο b ran ionat a pabatan; agur τυς αναρι reatmanna riópichuaite rá na g-collaib, gun rágbatan choicionn a τ-τροιξτεας, clúm a n-οτα, agur bappa a n-eiteat a leanmain na g-caipinge an ται rin.

44. "Thuaż am; a članna lin," an fionnżuala, "ip ole a cáżan azainn anoip, óin ní péarmaoir pulanz an c-páile, azur ip zeir duinn beit ina éazmaip; azur má téir an páile ionán z-chéactaib vo żeabam bár; azur vo ninne an laoir:—

- "Dob ole an learmatain nuinn,
  D'an imin phoióidet onnuinn,
  D'an 5-cun an rao mana amae
  A pidet ealao n-iongantae.
  - "Αγ έ αι δ-ροίσαο αι όμυιπ συαιη, Cύδαι αι παια πουχ-μυαιό Αγ ί αι ζ-συιο ταίι σο'ι συιμπ, Sáite αι παια πουχ-ζυιμπ.
- "Δοιη ιηξιοη, αξυρ τηιαρ πας, Cleactπαοιο α ζ-cuaraib cappac, Δρ πα cappηξιδ chuaro σο neac, Δρ m-beata ar éaccaointeac."
- 45. Ciò τρά αἰτ τάπζαυαρ τορ Śρυτ πα maoile αρίρ, αζυρ ζέαρ-ὐοιλιζ, αζυρ ζέαρ ζάρδ, ζοιρτ λεό απ ράιλε, πίορ ἐέασραυ α ρεαίπαὸ 'nαιαυρείπ το ἐάιρ-ὑίσιοπ αιρ. Αζυρ το δάὐαρ αρ απ ζ-τυαπ τά'π ισππαρ γιπ, πο ζυρ ἐάρ α ζ-τλίπ, αζυρ α π-ειτεαὐα, αζυρ ζυρ ἀπεαγαιζεαυαρ αζ-τρέαἀτα ζο h-ιοπλάπ; αζυρ

vo téigoip zactaoi zo h-oipean eipeann azur alban, azur vo tigoip zo Sput na Maoile zac n-oivée, óip pa h-é pa h-ionav bunaiv voib.

46. Tángavan aon vo ló go bun na Danna buờ tuait, agur vo conneavan maneriluaig álainn, aonvata, go n-eacaib garva, glangeala rútaib, ag rin-frúbal na rlige a n-iann-vear gada n-víneac. "An v-tabain ribaitne an an maneriluaig úv, a clanna lin," an Fionnguala. "Ní reavamain," an iavran, "act gunab vneam éigin vo Macaib Mileat, no vo tuataib de Danann ir vóca vo beit ann."

47. Το όμυτοεντη με h-οιμετη απ συαιπ απη μπ, ξο ν-σιοδηαναοιμ αιτπε ομμο; αξυμ όν σοπιαντη απ παμεήθυαιξ, ιανταπ, νο ύμυτοεντη κα ξ-σοππε, αξυμ κα ξ-σόπο άιλ, το μαπταντη απ-ιοπαν ιοπαξαθθαν ν'α céile.

rhia apoile, 30 miocain, muinnteapoa; azur o'fiarpuizeavan clanna lin cionnar vo bávan tuata De Danann, azur 30 h-áinizte lin, azur boób Deapz, azur a muinnteapoa an ceana.

"Δοιδιπη αποότ τεαξία τη !

10 πόα α πιοό αξυς α δ-γίοη;

δίο τά αποότ α π-άοδα ό τυαμ,

Όμεαπ το όταπ μόξίαπ απ μίοξ.

"1r 120 an 5-coilcib san locc, rolac an 5-conp το clúm car, 510 minic το τεαης ταοι γη όλλ 10mainn as ól meata mar.

- "As rin an m-biao asur an b-rion, Sainim rionn ir raile reamb; Minic vo ibmir meao cuill,
  O cuacan chuinn ceiche s-ceann.
- "1r 1av án leapaca, ir 1av lom,
  Cannaiz ór cionn na v-tonn v-théan;
  Minic vo veanztaoi vuinn,
  leaba vo clúm octa éan.
- " διό ί αμ η-οδαιμ γηδώ γαη γιος, Δη Śημό ηα Μαοιλο ιγ τροπ τοιηπ, γά πιπις παμεγίναις πας μίος, Δς ουλ 'πάμ η-οιαις το δίος Όνιοδ.
- "Ir é vo claoclaiv mo neapt,
  beit as vul 'ras teact tap an Maoil,
  Map na'p cleactar poime piam,
  'Snác rágaim spian a mais maoit.
- "Leaba Fiacha, agur 10000 Cuinn,
  Luige rá tuinn m'eite, an tilaoil:
  10000 an rgát m'octa ag Aoó,
  Sinn 'nan 5-ceathan taoib ne taoib.
- "Teagarg Manannáin gan ceilg,
  Cómháo Buiob Being ór Bhuim Caoin,
  Slon Aongura, milri a póg,
  Do cleactar gan bhón hé a p-taoib."

50. Arah-aitle rin tángavan an mancfluaig 30 Sít lin, agur vo inniprovan vo maitib tuat de danann imteatta nan-éan, agur a pict. "Ní fuil cumar againne oppo, an na maite," "act gun mait linn a m-beit beó, óin vo geabaid cabain a n-veine aimrine."

51. 10 πτυγα cloinne lip, σ'ionnγυιξεασαρ α n-ασθασ bunαιο buο τυαιξ, αρ Sput na Μαοιle, αξυγ σο βάσαρ απη το ράινιτ leó α σ-τρέιμη σο ταιτισή απη; αξυγ α σύβαιρτ Γιοπηξυαία: 1 μπιτισ συίπη απ τ-ιοπασ γο σ'κάξβάιι, οιρ τάινιτ αρ σ-τρέιμη απη; αξυγ σο ταπ απ ιαοιο:—

"Táinig an real ronnana,

1r mitio tuinn a iomgabáil,

On cuan ro 'nan tleattamain

Thí téat bliatan buan t-rolair.

"So Rinn loppair iapčapaiš,

ni buo h-ura a rulang rin,

luiomione gan meapužao oe,

Ré rulang na ruap-žaoice.

"San opato, gan opplyeam,
San acintoion ap tup-toininn;
Ni modean a g-cualamap,
Cainig ap yeal ponnana."

- 52. Ciò τρά αċτ, ο'ṛάςδασαρ clanna lip Spuż na Maoile rá'n ramail rin, αξυγ μάπξασαρ μόπρα το Rinn 10μραις Όσπαιπη, αξυγ σο δάσαρ απη μέ h-εαὸ αξυγ μέ h-ειπριρ ιπείαπ, αξ rulang ruacta αξυγ γυαιρ-δεατά, το υ-ταρία ότιάς γαορείαπος τοῦδο το luct [αιτρείδτε απ reapainn, eaton, Διδρις α αίππ]; αξυγ το δί α αίρε αρ πα h-έαπαιδ το πίπις, αξυγ γά δίπη leir α το-ειίεαδμας, τη ἐκρι τος h-ιοπαριας, ατη το το learai το το γραιγπέις α π-ιπτεατα uile.

" Τριας ζάιρ πα n-ealao αποςς;

1 τράις γόσεαρα πό ιτ ταρτ;

Σαπ μίτζε lionn-τμαρ γά n-a n-uct,

Δ ζ-cuipp iτ σιοπομαπ ό'π ταρτ.

" δαη μητρε ταπα, ταιίς, τηέαη, δαη τοηη παμα ας τεαότ ηέ υ-ταοιδ; Όο τεαότ αη πιμη πεαόμας πόμ, δο δ-τιιί ηα είαη εόιπή είνει εαοιη.

"Δ μιζ το cúm neam τη láp,
Δζυη τυς γlán na γέ γlυαιζ,
γοιμτιομ leat an ealtan éan,
leantaμ an τμέαη ζο m-bao τρυαιζ."

54. "Α δηάιτρε," αη Γιοπηξιαλα, "τρεισιξ απ τη-Οια τορόροα πα τήμιππε σο τύπ πεαπ το π-α πέαλλιδ, αξυς ταλαπ το π-α τορτάιδ, αξυς απ ταιμήτε το π-α λ-ιοπταιδ, αξυς σο ξεαδτάοι ταδαιμ αξυς τόπτυμταστο ο΄ π τ-Cοιπό ε." "Τρεισπίσ," αμ ιαυ; "αξυς τρεισιπς λιδ," αμ Γιοπηξιαλα, "σο΄ η τημοδια τοιμε, τήμ-εόλα." Αξυς το τρεισισσάμα απ απ μαιμ τό η, αξυς τυαμασα ταδαιματις το δραπα ό΄ π τ-Cοιπό ε σα είς γιη, αξυς πιομ τυιμ το τιπο πα τοιμδήτο πο τη απας.

55. Δζυγ το δάταμ α Rinn 10μμαιγ Όσή-

nann nó 500-táinis leó a v-théimpi vo caitioin ann, agur a vubaint fionnguala: "1r mitiv vuinn vul go Síot fionnacaiv man a b-ruil lip go n-a teaglac, agur an muinntin uile," "1r mait linne rin," an iavran.

56. Αξυγ το ξίναιρεαταρ μόπρα το h-υμέαττροπ, αέσεαρτα πό το μαπταταρ δίοτ 
Fronnacario; αξυγ τη απίλαιο τυαραταρ απ
baile, τάγ, τολαπ αρ α τοιοπη, ταπ αστ παοιμάτα τίτς, ταπ τειπε, ταπ τρείδ. Αξυγ τάπξαταρ α π-έπποπατ τοπα το το τάρτα, αξυγ τυχαταρ τρί τάρτα έατξα οπτε όγ άρτο, αξυγ α τύδαιρτ τιοπητίναλα απ λαοιο:

"10ngnat liom an baile po, Man 'cá gan ciż, gan coiże, Man to čím an baile po, Učán ip cháit lém' choite.

"San cona,' ip san conapta',
'San mná','psan piospaió patmap,
Map 'tá anoip ní cualamap,
An áith piam as án n-atain.

"San copna', san copána'
San ól'na múpaib poillpe;
San mapcpaio, san macáma',
Map tá anoct, ip tuap tuippe.

"Μαη ατάιο Ιυστ απ δαιλεγι, Πσάπ τη σμάιο λέμ σμοιόε, Δτά αποστ αμ παιμεγι, Πας παμιοπη τριατ απ τίξε.

"A bailen 'na b-racaman,

Ceól in imint, azur aonac,

Oan liom in é an t-atanac,

Man atá anoct a n-aonan.

"Méto na n-vocap ruapamap,
O'n cuinn mapa zo céile,
A leitéto ní cualamap
O'imteact ap vaoinib eile.

"Όοδ' απαίπ απ δαιλεγι

Ταοδ μέ γέμη τη μέ γίοδδαιδ,

Πί πατη γεαμ αμ π-αιτπισπε,

Sinn γαπ άτογι λειτ ζέ'μ δ'τοπζηαδ."

57. Ciò τμά αἰτ το δάσαμ Clanna lin an οιόζε για α π-ιοπατ α π-αὰμι, αζυγ α γεαπαὰμι παμ αμ h-οιlεαό ιατο; αζυγ το ἀπηξεαταμ α ποὰ πα παιτοπε αμ π-α πάμας, αζυγ το ξίναιγεαταμ μόπρα το h-1πιγ Σίναιμε δρέαπαιπη; αζυγ το τιοπόίλοταμ έφπίλιτ πα εμίζε

50 corccionn cuca, an Locan na h-Cantarte a n-Inir Bluaine Onéanainn; agur vo tigvir v'inżeite zać taoi ra peannaib imciana na chiće .1. 50 h-1nip Jeóro, azur 50 h-Acaill, agur 30 Teac Ouinn; agur gur na h-oiléanaib iaptapada ap deana; agur vo téigoir 50 h-Inir Bluaine bnéanainn 5ac oroće.

58. Δζυγ το δάταη αη απ ομούζα τη μέ h-ead, azur né h-aimpin fada, zo h-aimpin cheroim Chiore, agur 30 o-cainis Pachaic ηδοιήτα α η-θημηη; αζης 30 ο-τάιηις Mocaomóz naomita zo h-Inir Zluaine bpéanainn. Δζυγ an céao οιοce τάιnις σο'n inip vo cuatavan Clanna lin zut a cluiz aza δυαιη 'γαη ιαιμπέιμζε láim leó; zun δίοσχαvan, azur zun buain-rzinneavan zo avfuatman αζα clorrom; αζυρ σ'βάζθασαη α bnáithe fronn tuala 'na h-aonan.

59. "Chéuo rin, a bháithe ionmuine," an ji. "ni jeavamain," an piav, "cia an zuż anbrann aorustinan vo cualaman." " Jut cluiz Mocaomóiz pin," ap Pionnzuala, "azur ir é rzantar ribri lé péin, azur lé peanaio, azur róinrear mib maille le coil Dé;" azur

ב סנוטבותב בח לבסוס:

" ειγτις μέ τιος απ τίειμις,
Τός βαιό βυμ π-ειτε ας μη έιμς ιό,
Βειμιό α βυιόε μέ Όια α τεαττ,
Ας μη αιταις ιό α έιγτεατ.

" Cόμαισε σαοιδ δειτ σά μέιμ,

1 μέ ηξαμκας μιδ μέ ρέιη,

Σταμκαισ μιδ σαιμητε τη σίοσα
Ατιη ηταμκαισ ταμδ ήτιστα

"Δ σειμιτη μίδης, ός,

Όξωπωιό σμεισεωτά σόιμ σιππτς,

Δ σεωτρωμ σωσά Čloinne Lip,

Ειγτις μέ σίος ωπ σίξιμις."

60. Ciờ thá act, vo bảvah Clanna lin ag éirteact leir an 5-ceól rin vo ninne an cléineac, nó zun chíochaið a tháta. "Canam an 5-ceól anoir," an Fionntuala, "v'áinonit nine azur talman." Δzur vo canavan a 5-ceavóin, ceól ríneactac, rín-binn, ríte az molað an Coimbe, azur az aðnað an Áino-nit.

 αξυγ πο ἐοιἰζητġεκο ὁό ξυμαδ ιαν Clanna τη νο μιππε έ. Αξυγ ιαρ νο τεκέτ πα παινπε αρ π.α πάριας, ξιυαιγεαγ Μοἀροπός το ίσο πα h-θεπίαιτε αξυγ νο ἀναινό το h-οιμεαρ απ ἀναιπ παρι α δ-ραφαίν τον, αξυγ νο ἐταριαις δίοδ: "Απ γιδ Clann ίτρι," αρ γέ. "Τρ γιπη το νειπιπι," αρ ιανγαπ. "Όν δειριπ α δυνόε γιπ ιέ Όια," αρ Μοἀροπός, "όιρ ιγ αρ δυμι γοη ταπτυρα ἀνπ πα h-ιπηγε-γι, ταρ τα πολικό τον τιρι, αξυγ ταδριαινό τονδ Ιιοπρα, όιρ ιγ απηγο ατά α ξ-ειππεαν ὁίδ νεαξοιδρεακα νο νόκαπαϊ, αξυγ νεαιτάς κό μι β-ρεακτάιδ."

62. Τάπς αναμ α υ-τίμ ιαμ μιπ, ας μη τυς αναμ ταοδ λειμ απ ς-ελέιμεας; ας μη το μυς λειμ να αὐδισό μέπι ιαυ; ας μη το δίνοίμ ας υέαπαπ τμάτ, ας μη ας έιμτεας τα αιμπιπ α δ-ροέαιμ απ ελέιμις. Ας μη τυς Μος αοπος εέαμο παιτ έιμς ε, ας μη υ'μμάιλ αιμ μλαδιμανα αιμς το αοπιτί του θέαπαπ ύόιδ; ας μη το είμη μλο ας μη τια τιπιτικό, ας μη τλοβιαιό τοιμ λού ας μη τια τιπιτικό, ας μη το δίνοίμος ας μης άιμοιίς το ποτιτικό, ας μης αποτιτικό το ποτιτικό ας αποτιτικό το ποτιτικό π

ατιιητε αμ πα h-έαπαιδ αοπ ξιαγαότ πά αοπ μιοότ σ'αμ ιπτιξ ομμα conuize rin.

63. 1ρ é bá μιξ αμ Connactaib an tan ριη, λαιμτρή πας Colmáin, πις Cobtait, ατυρ Όσος ιπξεαπ Γιπητίπ πις Ασόα Αλαιπη .ι. ιπξεαπ μιξ Μυπάπ, ιρ ί bá bancéile τό.

64. Αξυγ το cualario an ingean τυαριυγςbáil na n-éan αξυγ το líon τα γεαρις αξυγ τα
γίορισκό; αξυγ το ιαρη αρ lαιρισμέπ πα
h-eóin τ'βάξαι τοι. Αξυγ α σύβαιρις lαιριξπέπ πάς ιαρρικού αρ Πος ασιόδαιρις lαιριξτυς Όρος α δριαταρι πάς δειό γέιπ ασι
οπός αξ lαιρισμέπ, πυπα δ-γαξαιό πα h.eóin;
αξυγ το ξίναι γ ροιπρε αγ απ π-baile. Αξυγ
το συιρ lαιρισμέπ τεαστα το ινατό τα τόριν ξeact, αξυγ πί ρυσαύ υιρρε το πάιπις Cill
Όαινα. Αξυγ τάιπις γιρι ταρ α h-αιγ το το
baile ιαριγη; αξυγ το συιρ lαιρισμέπ τεαστα
τ'ιαρριαιό πα π-έαπ αρ Μος ασιός; αξυγ πί
δ-γυαιριανο.

65. Το δί τεαης πόμ αμ λαιης πέπ υιπε γιη, αξυγ τάιτις τέπ το h-αιμπ α μαιδ Μοςαοπός, αξυγ τ'ταγμαις τε αμ δ-τίομ α μάτα ξυμ τι τίομ το τειπιη," αμ Μοςαοπός. Δηη γιη το

ειμις λαιμςπέπ, αξυρ τυς ρίτεα μη πα h-έαπαιδ, αξυρ τυς τυιξε το παλτόιμ ιατο .1. το έαπ απη το λαίπ το; αξυρ ξλυαιρεαρ μοι πε το παιμπ α μαιδ Ότος, αξυρ λευαιρεαρ Μοτασιός έ. Δέτ αμ η-ξλακό πα η-έαπ το, το τυαιό α το τλαίτ το το πακαιδ, αξυρ το μιπηταιό τρί γεαποιμε τρίσηα, τη άπατα το πακαιδ; αξυρ γεαπ ταιλιεας, λοπ, αμγαιό, ξαπ τιλι, ξαπ τέσιλ, το πιτή π.

66. Azur vo żab biovzav Lainznén ian pin, azur vo żluair ar an m-baile amac.

67. 1γ απη γιη α σύβαιμε Γιοπηζιαία. "Ταμ σ'αμ m-bαιγοεαό α είειμιζ, οιμ ιγ χαιμιο μαιπη συί σο'η έας; αχμη ιγ σεαμό πάς meaγα teaτγα σεαιάζαό tinne, πα tinne, σεαιάζαό teaτγα; αχμη σέαπ αμ η-αόλας αγ α h-αιτίε, αχμη τιι Conn σοπ' teit σέαγ, αχμη Γιαςμα σοπ' teit είέ, αχμη Δού σο teit m'αίζτε;" αχμη α σύβαιμε απ λαοιό:—

"Tan o'an m-bantead a clenni, Sab umat azur enni, Slan onnn an n-nomao rmáil, 'San z-cionta unle, a compáin.

"Suro-pr Ora oo dealb neam,

So o-tiż leatpa an m-barptead;

Sunab luctman an n-uaiż,

'San m-burnn ne h-altorn aonuary.

" Δη απίλειο όμολιξιπ απ μαιξ, Γιαόμα, τη Conn τομ πο οά έλου, Δπ μότ, τοιμ πο οά λάτπ, Δ όλειμιξ όδιο σμιμ Δοο.

"A Mocaomog an żlóm żlic, Szapżamn mb cia voiliż liom, Oéan zo h-éapzaió an uaiż, Imżiż zo luaż ip cap a n-am."

68. A h-aite na laoive μin, το bairteat; αξυρ το έαξαταμ, αξυρ το h-atlacat, Clanna lin; αξυρ το cuineat βιατρα αξυρ Conn ρομ α τά ταοβ, αξυρ Αοτ το leit α h-aite, παμ το ομταίξ βιοπηξυαία; αξυρ το τόξβατ α lia όρ α leact, αξυρ το γεμίοβατ α n-anmanna οξαίπ, αξυρ το γεαματ α ξ-cluice caointe; αξυρ το ρμίτ πεαπ το n-a anmannaib.

69. Αχυρ το δί Μος κοιπός το εύμας, τυιμγεκό τη π-τικις:—

70. Consó í Orde Cloinne Lip conuise pin.

TRANSLATION.



## THE FATE

OF THE

## CHILDREN OF LIR.

- 1. Of the history of the Tuatha De Danann from the battle of Taillten down; —[it is as follows]:
- 2. They congregated from all parts of the five provinces of Erinn until they were in one assembly, and in one place of council. And the chiefs of the Tuatha De Danann said: "It is better for us," said they, "to have one king over us, than to be divided as we are, serving various kings throughout Erinn."
- 3. Among the chiefs of these bodies who expected to obtain sovereignty for themselves, over the Tuatha De Danann, were Bodhbh Dearg, son of the Daghdha; and Ilbhreach fo Eas-Ruaidh; and Lir of Sidh Fionnachaidh; and Midhir the Proud of Bri Leith; and Aenghus

Og, the son of the Daghdha,—but he did not covet to seek the sovereignty of the Tuatha De Danann, for he preferred being in his own condition [i. e., remaining as he was], than in that of king over the Tuatha De Danann. All these nobles went into council together, 10 except these five who expected to obtain the sovereignty. And the conclusion to which they came 11 was, to give the sovereignty to Bodhbh Dearg, son of the Daghdha, for three reasons, namely: for the sake 12 of his father; for his own sake; and on account of his being the eldest son among the Daghdha's children.

4. When Lir heard that the sovereignty had been given to Bodhbh Dearg, he did not like it; and he left the assembly 13 without taking leave, without a farewell to any one; for he thought that it was to himself that the sovereignty and lordship should have been given; and although he did leave the assembly, 14 yet [it was not the less] Bodhbh Dearg was proclaimed king; 15 for no man of the five took umbrage at not having obtained the sovereignty but Lir alone. And they resolved to pursue Lir, and to burn his house, and to expose himself to [i. e., to inflict on him Lir] wounds of spear and

sword, for not having yielded obedience to to him to whom they had given sovereignty and lordship. "We shall not act upon that counsel," said Bodhbh Dearg; "for that man [Lir] would defend the territory in which he is; and I am not the less king over the Tuatha De Danann because he is not submissive to me."

- 5. Matters continued thus between them a long time. But at last a great misfortune happened Lir, for his wife died after an illness of three nights. And this preyed greatly upon Lir, so that he felt his spirit depressed after her. And the death of this woman was a great event in her own time. T
- 6. And this event was heard of throughout all Erinn; and it reached [to] the mansion of the son of the Daghdha, where the nobles of the Tuatha De Danann were assembled together. Bodhbh Dearg said: "If Lir chose," said he, "my assistance and my friendship would be useful to him, since his wife does not live (to him); for I have here the three maidens of the fairest form and of make and best repute that are in Erinn, namely, Aobh, Aoifé, and Ailbhé, the three daughters of Oilioll Arann, and my own three bosom-nurslings." The

Tuatha De Danann answered to him that this was good language, and that it was true.

7. Then messages and messengers were sent from Bodhbh Dearg to the place at which Lir was, to say that if he were willing to yield [the] lordship to the son of the Daghdha, and make alliance with him, that he would give him a foster-child of his foster-children. Now, Lir thought well of making this alliance; and he set forward accordingly on the next day with fifty chariots, from Sioth Fionnachaidh; and he took the shortest way, till he reached the Sioth of Bodhbh Dearg, which was over Loch Deirgdeirc;<sup>21</sup> and he was bade welcome there; and all the people were merry and cheerful before him; and they were well attended to and supplied that night.

8. And the three daughters of Oilioll Arann were on the same couch with the queen of the Tuatha De Danann, for the wife of Bodhbh Dearg was their foster-mother. Then Bodhbh Dearg said: "Take thy choice of the maidens, O Lir." "I do not know," said Lir, "which is the choicest of them, but the eldest of them is the noblest, and it is she that I had best take." "If so," said Bodhbh Dearg, "Aobh the daughter of Oilioll is the eldest, and she shall

be given to thee if thou willest." "I do so will," said he. And Aobh was united to Lir that night.

9. Lir was a fortnight in that mansion, and then he took Aobh away with him to his own house, that he might celebrate a great and royal wedding feast.

to. And in due time after this his wife<sup>22</sup> became pregnant, and she brought forth two children at a birth,<sup>23</sup> a daughter and a son; Fionnghuala<sup>24</sup> and Aodh were their names. And she became pregnant again, and brought forth two sons; Fiachra and Conn were their names; and she herself died at their birth. And that preyed greatly upon Lir; and were it not for the greatness [of love] with which his mind rested upon his four children, he would almost have died of grief.

Bodhbh Dearg; and the people of the Sioth of Bodhbh Dearg; and the people of the Sioth raised three shouts loudly lamenting their nurseling. And Bodhbh Dearg said: "We grieve for that girl, on account of the good man to whom we gave her, because we are grateful for his friendship and his constancy; however, our friendship for each other shall not be rent asunder, for I shall give him her other sister as a wife, namely, Aoifé."

- mediately to espouse her; and they were united together; and he took her with him to his house. And Aoifé felt honour and affection for the children of Lir and of her own sister; and [indeed] every one who should see these four children could not help giving them the love of his soul.
- 13. And Bodhbh Dearg used often to come to Sioth Lir, for love of these children; and he used to take them with him to his own house for a long while, and then to let them return to their own home again. And the Tuatha Dé Danann were at that time consuming the Feast of Age<sup>25</sup> in each Sioth in turn; and when they went to Sioth Lir, these four were their joy and their delight, for the beauty and symmetry of their form; and where they constantly slept was in beds in front of their father; and he used to rise at early dawn of every morning, and lie down among his children.
- 14. But the consequence of all this was,<sup>26</sup> that a dart of jealousy passed into Aoifé on account of this, and she regarded the children of her sister with hatred and thorough enmity. Then she assumed a feigned illness, under the influence of which she continued the greater part of a year. And it is after that she per-

petrated an act of hateful treachery, as well as of unfaithful jealousy, against the children of Lir.

- 15. And one day her chariot was yoked for her, and she took with her the four children of Lir in the chariot; and she went forward in that way towards the house of Bodhbh Dearg and Fionnghula was not willing to go with her onthe journey;<sup>27</sup> for she knew by her that she had some intention of ruining, or of killing them; for, she dreamed of a design of treachery and fratricide<sup>28</sup> in the mind of Aoifé. But, however, she was not able to avoid the misfortune and fate that were in destiny for her.
- 16. And so, Aoifé set out from Sioth Fionnachaidh; and (on the way) Aoifé said to her people: "Kill," said she, "the four children of Lir, for whom my love has been abandoned by their father, and I shall give you your own reward of every kind in the world." "Not so, indeed," said they; they shall not be killed by us; and it is an evil deed you have thought of, and evil will it be to you to have mentioned it."
- 17. And when they did not consent to do this, she herself drew forth a sword to kill and destroy the children of Lir; but her woman-

hood, and her natural cowardice, and the weakness of her mind prevented her. And so they went westward to the shore of Loch Dairbhreach;<sup>29</sup> and their horses were halted there. And she [Aoifé] desired the children of Lir to bathe, and go out to swim upon the lake; and they did as Aoifé told them. And as soon Aoifé found them upon the lake, she struck them with a metamorphosing druidical wand, and so put them into the forms of four beautiful perfectly white swans; and she made this lay there:

"Out with you [on the water] O children of the king!

I have deprived your descendants of [all] good luck;

To your friends your story will be a sad one; Your shouts shall be with flocks of birds.

[Fionnghuala].—"Thou witch! we know thy name.

Thou hast struck us down without a vessel;30 [but]

Though thou mayest us send from wave to wave,

We shall be sometimes from cape to cape [i. e. on the dry land].

"We shall receive relief,—without concealment;

We shall receive warning and grace; Even though we light upon the lake; Our minds [at least] shall be early [i. e. range] abroad."

18. After that lay, the four children of Lir turned their faces together towards the woman [Aoifé]; and Fionnghuala spoke to her, and this was what she said: "Evil is the deed which thou hast done, O Aoifé, and moreover an ill act of friendship it is for thee to ruin us without cause; and it shall be manifestly avenged upon thee; and thou shalt fall in revenge for it; for thy power for our destruction is not greater than the druidism [druidic power] of our friends to avengeit upon thee; therefore, assign us some period and termination to the ruin which thou hast brought upon us."

19. "I shall, indeed," said Aoifé, "and it is worse for you to ask it of me; namely [the period I assign to you shall be this] until the woman from the South and the man from the North are united: that is, Lairgnen, the son of Colman, the son of Cobhthach, that is the son of the king of Connacht; and Deoch, the daughter of Finghin,

the son of Aodh<sup>32</sup> Alainn, king of Munster; and no friends [are able], nor any power that ye have is able to bring you out of these forms, since ye have sought it [i. e. since ye have called on me to declare it], during your lives, until ye shall have been three hundred years upon Loch Dairbreach; and three hundred years upon Sruth na Maoilé,<sup>33</sup> between Erinn and Albain; and three hundred years at Iorrus Domnann, <sup>34</sup> and Inis Gluairé<sup>35</sup> of Brendainn; and these shall be your adventures henceforth."

20. And then repentance seized upon Aoifé, and she said: "Since I am not able to afford you any other relief henceforth, ye shall retain your own speech; and ye shall sing plaintive music, at which the men of the Earth would sleep, and there shall be no music in the world its equal; and ye shall have [retain] your own direction [reason] and dignity [of nature]; and ye shall not be distressed by being in [shapes of] birds;" and she spoke this lay:—
"Depart from me, O children of Lir,

[Ye] with the white faces, with the stammering Gaedhilg [i. e. but half articulate]. It is a great disgrace to soft youths To be driven by the rough wind [i. e. as birds].

"Nine hundred years for you upon the tide,—
It was I that sent ye through treachery,—
Until ye shall be upon Inis Gluairé, 36
Upon the north-west side of red [i. e. red flowering] Erinn.

"Advance ye out upon the Maoil,
(It were best for you to be obedient to me;)
Until Lairgnen and Deoch are united;
It is a long time for one to be in pain!

"Lir's heart is a husk of gore,
Through many a victorious throw has he
cast;

Sickness [i. e. bitterly sad] to me is the groan of the active champion,—
Though it is I that have deserved his anger."

21. After this lay, her steeds were caught for Aoifé, and her chariot was yoked, and she went on to the Sioth of Bodhbh Dearg; and the nobles of the court bade her welcome. And the son of the Daghdha asked why she had not brought the children of Lir with her to him.

22. "I say unto thee," said she [in answer],
"That you are not beloved by Lir, and that he
does not trust to send his children to thee, for
fear that thou wouldst capture them."

"because these children are dearer to me than my own children." And Bodhbh thought in his own mind that it was treachery the woman had played upon them; and he accordingly sent messengers to the North to Sioth Fionnachaidh. Lir asked what they came for. "For your children," said they. "Is it that they have not reached you with Aoifé?" said Lir. "They have not," said the messengers; "and Aoifé said that it was you that did not let them go with her."

24. Melancholy and sorrowful was Lir at these tidings; for he understood that it was Aoifé that ruined or killed his children. And his steeds were caught at early morning of the next day for Lir; and he set upon the road, directly south-west, until he reached to the shore of Loch Dairbhreach. And the children of Lir saw the cavalcade coming towards them, and Fionnghuala spoke the lay:—

"Welcome the cavalcade of steeds
Which I see hard by Loch Dairbhreach;—
A company, indeed, powerful and mysterious,
Seeking us, following after us.

"Let us move to the shore, O Aodh!
O Fiachra, and O comely Conn!
No host under heaven can those horsemen
be

But only Lir and his household."

- 25. After this poem, Lir came to the verge of the shore; and he noticed that the birds had human voices; and he asked what caused them to have human voices.
- 26. "Understand thou, O Lir, son of Lughaidh," said Fionnghuala, "that we are thy four children who have been ruined by thy wife and by the sister of our own mother, through the malignity of her jealousy." "Is it possible to put you into your own forms again?" said Lir. "It is not possible," said Fionnghuala, "for the men of Earth could not relieve us, until the woman from the South and the man from the North are united, that is, Lairgnen, the son of Colman, and Deoch, the daughter of Finghin, son of Aodh Dubh, 39 in the time of the Tailginn, 40 and of the coming of Faith and Devoton into Erinn."
- 27. When Lir and his people heard this, they raised three shouts of grief, crying, and lamentation, on high.

28. "Do ye wish," said Lir, "to come ashore to us, since ye have your own senses and your memory?" "We have not the power," said Fionnghuala, "to associate with any person henceforth; but we have our own language, the Gaedhilge; and we have the power to chant plaintive music, and it is quite sufficient to satisfy the whole human race to be listening to that music; and so remain ye with us to-night, and we shall chant music for you."

29. So Lir and his people remained listening to the music of the swans, upon the brink of Loch Dairbhreach; and they slept composedly by it that night; and Lir arose at early morning of the next day and he made this lay:—

"It is time to depart from this place;
I sleep not, though I lie down to sleep.—
To part from my beloved children<sup>41</sup>
Is what embitters my heart!

"Evil was the fate by which I brought over you
Aoifé the daughter of Oilioll Arann,
Had I known what you have got by it,

I would never have followed that advice. 42

- "O Fionnghuala, and O Conn the comely!
  - O Aodh, and O Fiachra of the beautiful weapons!

From the verge of the shore upon which ye are, It is not yet time for me to depart from you."

- 30. So Lir went on from that place to the Sioth of Bodhbh Dearg; and a welcome was made for him there; and a rebuke was given to him from Bodhbh Dearg for not having brought his children along with him. "Alas!" said Lir, "it was not I that would not bring my children to you; it was Aoifé, yonder, your own nursling and the sister of their mother, who has put them into the forms of four pure-white swans upon Loch Dairbhreach, in the presence of the men of Erinn; and [there they are swans, though] they preserve their own sense and their reason, their voice, and their Gaedhilg."
- 31. Bodhbh Dearg started at this news; and he understood that what Lir spoke was true; and he gave a very fierce rebuke to Aoifé, and said: "This treachery will be worse for thee, Aoifé, than for the children of Lir; for they shall obtain relief towards the end of time, and their souls will be in heaven at last."
  - 32. Bodhbh Dearg then asked Aoifé what

shape on earth she would think the worst of being in. She said that it would be in the form of a demon of the air. "I shall put you into that form then," said Bodhbh Dearg. And, as he spoke, he struck her with a metamorphosing druidical wand, and put her into the form of a demon of the air; and she flew away at once; and she is still a demon of the air, and shall be so for ever.

33. As for Bodhbh Dearg and the Tuatha De Danann they came to the shore of Loch Dairbhreach, and they took up an encampment there, listening to the music of the swans. And as for the Milesian Clanns, too, 43 no less did they come from every point of Erinn that they might take up an encampment at Loch Dairbhreach in like manner; for historians do not count any music or delight that ever was heard in Erinn in comparison to the music of these swans; and they used to be telling stories and conversing with the men of Erinn each day, and discoursing with their tutors and their fellow-pupils, and with all their friends in like manner; and they used to chant very sweet, fairy music every night; and every one who used to hear that music slept soundly and easily, no matter what disease or long illness might be upon him; for, happy and delighted after the music the birds chanted was every one who heard it.

- 34. Well, then, these two encampments of the sons of Milesius and the Tuatha De Danann continued to be around Loch Dairbhreach for the space of three hundred years. And it is then Fionnghuala said toher brothers: "Do ye know, O youths!" said she, "that ye have come to the end of your term here, all but this night only?" And distress and very great sorrow seized upon the sons [of Lir] when they heard that news; for they thought it the same as being human beings, to be upon Loch Dairbhreach discoursing with their friends and their companions, in comparison with going upon the angry, quarrelsome sea of the Maoil in the North.
- 35. And they came early on the next day to speak to their foster-father and their father; and they bade them adieu; and Fionnghuala made the lay:—

"Adieu to thee, O Bodhbh Dearg!
Thou man to whom all science has done homage,

[Adieu] to thee, together with our father, <sup>46</sup> Lir of the famous Sioth Fionnachaidh.

"The time has come for us, methinks,

To separate—after which we shall not
meet

Till the judgment come—O pleasant company!

It is not on a visit that we are going to you.

"From this day of our age we shall be,—
O ye heart-loved friends, our contemporaries,—
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Without human voice near us, Upon the raging Sruth na Maoilé.

"We shall go from that to be punished, At the end of three hundred proper [i. e. full] years;

(Greater knowledge of our punishment we shall have there),

Westwards to the point of Iorrus Domhnann;

"Three hundred years, without fail [we must be],

In the west at the point of Iorrus Domhnann:

From lake to lake—alas! the condition— Until Deoch and Lairgnen unite. "Our beautiful garments shall be [but the] Waves of the salt-water, bitter, briny; As the four comely children of Lir, Without a night for us without it.

"Ye three brothers of once ruddy cheeks!

Let [them] depart from us, from Loch

Dairbhreach,

This powerful tribe which has loved us;

Sorrowful now is our separation."

36. After that lay, they took to flight; [flying] highly, lightly, aerially, until they reached Sruth na Maoilé between Erinn and Albain; and the men of Erinn were grieved at this, and it was proclaimed by them throughout Erinn, that no swan should be killed, 47 however great the power which they might have to do it from that out.

37. It was a bad residence for the children of Lir, to live upon Sruth na Maoilé. When they saw the shore of the extensive coast around them, they became filled with cold, and grief, and regret; and they thought nothing of any evil which they had before suffered, compared with that which they suffered upon that current.

- 38. And they remained there upon Sruth na Maoilé, until one night a thick tempest came upon them, and Fionnghuala said: "My beloved brothers," said she, "bad is the preparation we make, for it is certain that the tempest of this night will separate us from one another; therefore let us appoint a particular place of meeting to which we shall repair, if God shall cause us to separate from each other." "Let us settle, O sister," said they, "an appointed place of meeting at Carraig na Rón, so for we are all equally acquainted with it."
- 39. However, when the midnight came to them, the wind descended with it, and the waves increased their violence and their thunder; and the lightnings flashed; and a rough sweeping tempest passed all over the sea, so that the children of Lir were scattered from each other over the great sea; and they were set astray from the extensive shore, so that not one of them knew what way or what path the rest went. There came, however, a placid-calm upon the sea after that great tempest; and Fionnghuala was alone upon the current; and she observed that her brothers were absent [separated from her];

and she lamented them greatly; and she spoke this lay:—

"In my condition it is woe to be alive;
My wings have frozen to my sides;
It is little that the furious wind has not shattered

My heart in my body after [i. e. away from]
Aodh.

"Three hundred years upon Loch Dairbhreach

Without going into human forms,—
It distresses me more, and not alike [i. e. not merely as much]
My time upon Sruth na Maoilé.

- "O beloved three,—oh, beloved three!
  Who slept under the shelter of my feathers,
  Until the dead return to the living
  I and the three shall never meet.
- "After Fiachra and Aodh,
  And Conn the comely,—with no account of
  them,—
  It is a pity my remaining for every evil.

Woe to be this night in my condition."

- 40. As for Fionnghuala she was that night upon the rock, until the rising of the day upon the morrow, watching the sea in all directions around her, until she saw Conn coming towards her, with heavy head, and drenched feathers; and the heart of the daughter greatly welcomed him; and Fiachra came also, cold, wet, and quite faint; and neither word nor speech of his was understood, such was the excess of cold and hardship which he had suffered; and she put him under her wings, and said: "If Aodh would but come to us now, how happy should we be!"
- 41. It was not long after that, when they saw Aodh coming towards them, with dry head and beautiful feathers; and Fionnghuala welcomed him greatly; and she put him under the feathers of her breast and chest; and Fiachra under her right wing; and Conn under her left wing; and she disposed her feathers over them in that way. "O youths," said Fionnghuala, "though evil ye may think this last night, many of its like shall ye find from this time forwards."
- 42. The children of Lir after that continued<sup>49</sup> a long time there, suffering cold and wretchedness upon the current of the Maoilé;

until at last a night came upon them so cold that never before did they experience anything like the frost, and the cold, the snow and the wind of that night; and Fionnghuala made the lay:—

- "Evil is this existence!—
  The cold of this night,—
  The greatness of this snow,—
  The hardness of this wind.
- "Where they have lain together, is Under my graceful wings,—
  The wave beating violently upon us,—
  Conn and comely Fiachra.
- "Our stepmother has put
  Us, these four of us,
  This night, into this misery;—
  Evil is this existence!"
- 43. Thus were the Children of Lir for a long time suffering a life of extreme cold to the end of a year, upon the current of the Maoilé, until at last a night came upon them, upon the pinnacle of the Seal Rock;<sup>50</sup> and the time was in the Calends of January; and the waters congealed, and each of them became chilled in his place; and as they lay upon the

rock, their feet, and their feathers, and their wings adhered to the rock, so that they were not able to move them from where they were; and they made such vehement efforts with their bodies [to move away], that they left there the skin of their feet, and the feathers of their breasts, and the tips of their wings attached to the rock.

44. "Alas! O Children of Lir," said Fionnghuala, "evil indeed is our condition now, for we cannot support the salt-water, and yet it is prohibited to us to be absent from it; and if the salt-water enters into our sores, we shall die;" and she made this lay:—

- "Moanful are we this night,
  Without feathers covering our bodies,
  And it is cold for our delicate soles
  On the rough, uneven rocks.
- "Bad was our stepmother to us,
  When she played druidism upon us,
  Sending us out upon the sea,
  In the shapes of wonderful swans.
- "Our bath upon the shore's ridge is The foam of the brine-crested tide; Our share of the ale-feast is The brine of the blue-crested sea.

"One daughter and three sons,
We are wont to be in the clefts of rocks;
Upon the rocks, so hard for one,
Our existence is moanful."

45. However, they came again upon the current of the Maoil; and though the sea-water was extremely distressing, and sharp, and bitter to them, they were not able to avoid it, or to shelter themselves effectually from it. And so they were in that misery by the shore until their feathers grew (anew), and their wings, and until their sores were perfectly healed; and (then) they used to go every day to the shore of Erinn and of Albain; and they used to go to the current of the Maoil each night, for it was their original [i. e. they were obliged to return to it as their] place of abode.

46. They came one day to the mouth of the Banna<sup>51</sup> in the north; and they saw a splendid one-coloured cavalcade, with trained pure-white steeds under them, constantly walking upon the road directly from the south-west. "Do ye know yonder cavalcade, O Children of Lir?" said Fionnghuala. "We do not know them," said they; "but it is most probable that they are some party of the sons of Miledh [Mi-

lesius], or of the Tuatha Dé Danann that are there."

- 47. They moved then to the border of the shore, that they might be able to recognize them; and when the cavalcade [on their side] saw them, they moved towards them also to meet them, until they reached the place of mutual converse to each other.
- 48. The chief men of those who were in that cavalcade were, Aodh Aithfhiosach, and Fergus Fithchiollach,<sup>52</sup> that is, the two sons of Bodhbh Dearg, and a third division of the Fairy cavalcade<sup>53</sup> along with them; and that cavalcade had been seeking [the swans] for a long time before that; and when they reached each other, lovingly and friendly did they bid each other a truly affable welcome; and the Children of Lir inquired how the Tuatha Dé Danann were, and particularly Lir, and Bodhbh Dearg, and their people besides.
- 49. "They are well; in one place [i. e. assembled together]," said they, "in the house of your father, in Sioth Fionnachaidh, and the Tuatha Dé Danann along with them there, consuming the Feast of Age, 54 merrily and happily, without fatigue and without

uneasiness, except for being without you, and not having known where ye had gone to from them, from the day upon which ye left Loch Dairbhreach." "That is not the record of our lives," says Fionnghuala, "for much indeed of evil and suffering and misery have we endured on the tide of the current of the Maoil to this day;" and she recited the lay:—

- "Happy this night the household of Lir!
  Abundant their mead and their wine;
  Though there be this night in a cold home,
  A company<sup>55</sup> of the king's pure-born children.
- "Our faultless bed-clothes are [but]
  The covering of our bodies of wreathed feathers;—
  [Though] often ere now have we been claded.

[Though] often ere now have we been clad In purple, while drinking the cheerful mead.

- "There is our food and our wine they are
  The white sand and bitter brine;—
  [Yet] often drank we hazel mead,
  From round cups with four lips [i.e. corners.]
- "These are our beds, and bare [beds] they are, [but]

Rocks above the violent waves;—
[Yet] often have been spread for us,
Beds of the breast-feathers of birds.

"Though it be now our work [though now we have] to swim in the frost,

Upon the current of the heavy resounding Maoil,—

Often a cavalcade of the sons of kings Was following us to Sioth Buidhbh.

"It is this that has wasted my strength,—
To be going and coming over the Maoil,
As I was never accustomed to be;
And that no more I enjoy the sun in a soft
plain.

"Fiachra's bed, and Conn's place,

Is to nestle under the cover of my wings upon the Maoil.

A place under the shelter of my breast hath Aodh;

The four of us side by side.

"The teaching of Manannan<sup>56</sup> without guile, The conversation of Bodhbh Dearg over Drom Caoin,<sup>57</sup>

The voice of Aongus,<sup>58</sup> the sweetness of his kisses,—

I was wont to be without grief by their side."

50. After that the cavalcade came to Sioth Lir, and they related to the nobles of the

Tuatha Dé Danann the adventures of the birds, and their condition. "We have no power over them," the nobles say, "but we are glad they are alive; for they shall obtain relief in the end of time."

- 51. As to the Children of Lir, they went towards their original home in the north upon the current of the Maoil; and they were there until the time they had to spend there expired; and then Fionnghuala said: "It is time for us to leave this place, for our time here has come;" and she sang this lay:—
  - "Our time has come here, indeed,
    It is time to depart,
    From this shore which we have frequented
    Three hundred years of lasting light.
  - "To the point of Western Iorrus,
    It will not be easy to bear it,
    Let us depart now without wandering,
    Upon the support of the cold wind.
  - "Without rest, without standing,
    Without any shelter from the thick tempests;—

Unwelcome to us is what we have heard,— Our term has come here indeed."

- 52. The Children of Lir then, accordingly, left the current of the Maoil in that manner, and they passed on to the point of Iorrus Domhnann; 59 and there they were for a long period of time, suffering cold and a life of chilling, until [at last it happened to them that] they met a young man, of a good family, [one of the occupants of the lands whose name was Aibhric], 60 and his attention was often attracted to the birds, and their singing was sweet to him, so that he loved them greatly, and they loved him; and this is the young man who arranged in order and narrated all their adventures.
- 53. But at last it happened that 61 the Children of Lir, one night that they were there, [at Iorrus], experienced a night such as they never experienced any night before or after it, for the intensity of its frost and its snow; for a flag of ice grew upon the whole of the current between Iorrus and Acaill, 62 and their feet adhered to the ice flag, so that they were not able to stir, and the brothers fell to moaning greatly, and to lamenting greatly, and to grieving intensely; and Fionnghuala was checking them, and she could not, and she recited the lay:—

"Pitiful the lament of the swans this night,-

It is the ebb that has caused it, or it is a drought—

Without cold-flowing water under their breasts,

Their bodies will be short-lived from thirst.

"Without thin water, firm, and strong,—
Without a sea wave coming against their
sides;

The merry great sea has congealed, So that it is a beautiful damp-wet plain.

"O King who hast formed Heaven and Earth, And who broughtest safe the six hosts, 63 By thee be relieved the tribe of birds, Let the strong be pursued till they become pitiful."

54. "My brethren," said Fionnghuala, "believe ye the truly splendid God of truth, who made Heaven with its clouds, and Earth with its fruits, and the sea with its wonders; and ye shall receive help and full relief from the Lord." "We do believe," said they. "And I believe with you," says Fionnghuala, "in the true God, perfect, truly intelligent." And they believed at the proper hour; and they received help and protection from the Lord

after that; and neither tempest nor bad weather affected them from that time out.

- 55. And they were in the point of Iorrus Domhnann until the time they had to spend there expired. And then Fionnghuala said: "It is time for us to go to Sioth Fionnachaidh, where Lir is with his household, and all our people." "We like that," said they.
- 56. And they set out forward, lightly and airily, until they reached Sioth Fionnachaidh; and they found<sup>64</sup> the place deserted and empty before them, with nothing but unroofed green raths, and forests of nettles there; without a house, without a fire, without a residence. And the four came close together, and they raised three shouts of lamentation aloud; and Fionnghuala spoke the poem:—
- "A wonder to me this place,—
  How it is without house, without dwellings?
  As I see this place—
  Uchone, it is bitterness to my heart.
- "Without hounds, and without packs of dogs, Without women, and without prosperous kings,

We have never heard of it as now it is, This place—with our father.

- "Without drinking horns, without cups, Without drinking in its lightsome halls, Without cavalcades, without youths, As it is to-night it is an omen of grief
- "As the people of this place are (now),
  Uchone, it is bitterness to my heart!
  It is clear this night to my perception,
  That the lord of the house does not live.
- "O place, in which we have seen Music and playing, and the assembly; To me it seems a sad reverse, As it is this night deserted.
- "The greatness of our misfortunes, we have found,

  From the one ocean wave to the other,

  The like of which we have not heard

  To have happened to any other persons.
- "Seldom has been this place
  Trusting to grass and to wood,
  The man to recognize us liveth not,
  To find us here, though to him it were a
  wonder."
  - 57. However, the Children of Lir were

that night in the place of their father and their grandfather, where they had been nursed; and they chanted very sweet, fairy music; and they arose at early morning next day, and they set out forward to Inis Gluairé of Brendainn; and the birds of the country in general congregated near them upon the Lake of the birds in Inis Gluairé of Brendainn. And they used to go forth to feed each day to the remote points of the country, namely, to Inis Geadh and to Acaill, and to Teach Duinn, and to the other western silands in like manner; and they used to go to Inis Gluairé of Brendainn each night.

58. And they were in that state for a long period of time, till the time of the faith of Christ, and until holy Patrick came into Erinn; and until holy Mochaomhóg<sup>70</sup> came to Inis Gluairé of Brendainn. And the first night he came to the island, the Children of Lir heard the voice of his bell, ringing at matins, near them; so that they started, and leaped about in terror at hearing it; and her brothers left Fionnghuala alone.

59. "What is that, O beloved brothers?" she says. "We know not, say they, "what faint fearful voice it is we have heard." "That

is the voice of the Bell of Mochaomhóg," Fionnghuala says; "and it is that [bell that] shall liberate you from suffering and from pain, and shall relieve you according to the will of God;" and she recited the lay:—

- "Listen to the Cleric's bell;
  Elevate your wings and arise;
  Give thanks to God for his coming,
  And be grateful for having heard him.
- "It is more proper for ye to be ruled by him, It is he that shall liberate you from pain, Shall bring you away from the rocks and stones,

And shall bring you away from the furious currents.

"I say unto you, therefore,

Make you a confession of proper accurate
faith;

Ye comely four [three?] Children of Lir, Listen to the bell of the Cleric."

60. The Children of Lir, therefore, were listening to that music which the cleric performed, until he had finished his matins.

"Let us chant our music now," said Fionnghuala, "to the High King of Heaven and Earth." And they immediately chanted a plaintive, slow-sweet, fairy music, praising the Lord, and adoring the High King.

- 61. And Mochaomhóg was listening to them, and he prayed God fervently to reveal to him who chanted that music; and it was revealed unto him that it was the Children of Lir who performed it. And upon the coming of the morning of the next day, Mochaomhóg went forward to the Lake of the Birds; and he saw the birds from him upon the lake; and he went to the brink of the shore where he saw them, and he inquired of them: "Are ye the Children of Lir?" he says. "We are, indeed," they say. "I return thanks to God for it," Mochaomhóg says, "for it is for your sakes that I have come to this island beyond every other island in Erinn; and come ye to land now, and put your trust in me, for it is here it is in destiny for you to perform good works, and separate from your sins."
- 62. They came to land after that, and they put trust in the Cleric; and he took them with him to his own abode, and they were keeping the canonical hours there, and hearing

mass along with the Cleric. And Mochaomhóg took a good artificer to him, and he ordered him to make chains of bright white silver for them; and he put a chain between Aodh and Fionnghuala, and a chain between Conn and Fiachra; and the four of them were rejoicing the mind and increasing the spirits of the Cleric; and no danger nor distress in which the birds had been hitherto, caused them any fatigue or distress now.

63. He who was King of Connacht at that time was Lairgnen,<sup>71</sup> the son of Colman, son of Cobthach, and Deoch,<sup>72</sup> the daughter of Finghin, son of Aodh Allainn, that is, the daughter of the King of Munster, was his wife.

64. And the woman heard the account of the birds, and she became filled with affection and fast love for them; and she entreated of Lairgnen to procure the birds for her. And Lairgnen said that he would not ask them of Mochaomhóg. And Deoch pledged her word that she would not be one night longer with Lairgnen if she did not obtain the birds; and she set out from her residence. And Lairgnen sent messengers quickly to pursue her, and she was not overtaken till she reached

Cill Dalua.<sup>73</sup> And she went back to the residence then; and Lairgnen sent messengers to ask the birds from Mochaomhóg; and he did not get them.

65. Great anger seized upon Lairgnen on that account, and he came himself to the place where Mochaomhóg was, and he asked him if it was true that he had refused him the birds. "It is true, indeed," said Mochaomhóg. Then Lairgnen arose, and grasped at the birds, and snatched them to him off the altar, namely, two birds in each hand; and he went forth towards the place in which Deoch was; and Mochaomhóg followed him; but as soon as he had laid hands on the birds their feathery coats fell off them, and of the sons were made three withered, bony old men, and of the daughter a lean, withered old woman, without blood or flesh.

66. And Lairgnen started at this, and he went out of the place.

67. It was then that Fionnghuala said: "Come to baptize us, O Cleric, for our death is near; and it is certain that you do not think worse of parting with us than we do at parting with you; therefore make our grave afterwards, and place Conn at my right side, and Fiachra

on my left side, and Aodh before my face;" and she spoke the poem:—

- "Come to baptize us, O Cleric;
  Take upon thee and arise;
  Clear away from us our many stains,
  And all our faults, O companion!
- "Pray thou the God who formed heaven,
  That thou mayest succeed in baptizing us;
  Let our grave be capacious,
  And our feet at once to the altar.
- "Thus do I order the grave:
  Fiachra and Conn by me on either side,
  And in my lap, between my two arms,
  Thou chaste Cleric, place Aodh.
- "O Mochaomhóg of the subtle speech, Though grievous to me to part from thee, Prepare thou hastily the grave; Depart quickly, and come in time."
- 68. After this lay, the Children of Lir were baptized; and they died, and were buried; and Fiachra and Conn were placed at either side [of Fionnghuala], and Aodh before her face, as Fionnghuala ordered; and their tombstone was raised over their tomb, and their Oghaim names were written; and their

lamentation rites were performed; and heaven was obtained for their souls.

69. And Mochaomhóg was sorrowful and distressed after them.

70. And that is the fate of the Children of Lir, so far.

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## NOTES.

¹The Battle of Tailltin (a place now called Telltown in Meath) was that in which the Tuatha De Danann were defeated by the Milesians, losing the sovereignty of Erinn, A.M. 3500. The Tuatha De Danann were the second colony that occupied the country, defeating their predecessors, the Firbolgs, in the battle of Magh Tuiredh of Cunga (or Cong) in West Connacht, and they themselves in turn met their overthrow at the hands of the Milesians, in this battle of Tailltin, losing their great chiefs Mac Cuill, Mac Cecht and Mac Gréiné, the sons of Cermait Mil-Bheoil (i. e. Cermait of the honey mouth), who was the son of the great chief, monarch, and magician, referred to also in the story, the Daghda.

- 2 Assembly .- Or, "fair."
- 3 Chiefs.—Literally, "best;" the "best" men.
- 4 Bodhbh Dearg was the son of the Daghda, whose name is mentioned in note 1, and was the person chosen as king over the Tuatha De Danann, when, after the battle of Druim Lighean, they were obliged to seek a mystical and concealed existence in the hills and lakes of the country.
  - <sup>5</sup> The Daghda. See notes I and 4.
  - 6 Ilbhreach, a Tuatha De Danann chief.
- <sup>7</sup> Eas Ruaidh was the fall of "Easroe," Ballyshannon, county Donegal.

<sup>6</sup> Sidh Fionnachaidh, i. e., the "Hill of the White Field" on the top of Sliabh Fuaid, near Newtownhamilton, in the county of Armagh.

Midhir of Bri Leith. This Midhir was one of the surviving chiefs of the Tuatha De Danann. After the, to them, disastrous battle of Druim Lighean (now Drumleene, a townland in the parish of Clonleigh, barony of Raphoe (Rath-Bhotha) and County of Donegal, a short distance to the north of Lifford) which was fought subsequent to the battle or Tailtin, and in which any hopes they might have entertained of regaining their sovereignty over the island were totally wrecked, these chiefs held a meeting at Brugh na Boinné, the great Tuath De Danann mansion, and their deliberations as to the future course they should pursue, were presided over by the powerful Manannan. The advice of Manannan was to the effect, that they should distribute and quarter themselves upon the pleasant hills and plains of Erinn. Bodhbh Dearg was chosen to be their king and Manannan their High Counsellor; and the latter arranged the different abodes for the nobles among the hills, Midhir being appointed over Sith Truim, a hill situated to the east of Slane in the county of Meath. Bri Leith; from Bri, the daughter of the great sorcerer Midhir, Son of Indai, and Liath ("the Gray;" of which word Leith is the genitive form), the Son of Cealtchair of Cualann, in Wicklow, who was her admirer. These lovers made an assignation at Tara, but Midhir's people prevented their meeting, and the lady was brought back to her father's house at Sidh Midhir, "where her heart burst, and she died." When Liath heard of this, he said that, as Bri was his by right of her own consent, she should be for ever called his Bri Leith, that is, Liath's Bri. And as she was buried in the hill of Sith Midir, the hill ever after took her name and that of her lover, Bri-Leith. This was the ancient name of Sliabh

Calraighe, situated to the west of the village of Ardagh (Ardachadh) in the present county of Longford.

10 Literally: "went into one council."

11 Literally: "the counsel upon which they decided."

12 Literally: "for the goodness of," &c.

18 Literally: "the fair and the assembly."

14. 15 Literally: "although he did leave the fair and the assembly, it was not the less that Bodhbh Dearg was," &c.

16 Literally: "they continued a long time in this state."

17 Her name is not given.

<sup>18</sup> The mansion of the Son of the Daghda. This was Sidh Boidhbh, or Bodhbh; somewhere on the brink of Loch Dergdeire, now called Lough Derg, in the River Shannon, above Killaloe.

19 Literally: "were in one place."

<sup>20</sup> Oilell Arann, that is, Oilell of Ara. I suspect that this name should be Oichell Arann, because there is on the western or great Arann Island, on the coast of Clare, a large Cyclopean fort still bearing the name of Dun Oichill or Oichell's Fort.

<sup>21</sup> Loch Derg-deirc, i. e., the Lake of the Red Eye (now called Lough Derg, in the Shannon, above Killaloe); so named from the circumstance of Eochaidh Mac Luchta, the king of that country, having washed his bloody face in it after having plucked out his only eye, at the request of Aithirné, the Ulster poet and satirist (about the time of the Incarnation).

22 Literally: inghion = "daughter, i. e., girl, woman.

23 Literally: "of that pregnancy."

<sup>24</sup> Fionnghuala; that is, the Fair-shoulder, or of the Fair shoulder. This was a favourite female name among the nobles of Erinn down even to long after the Anglo-Norman Invasion.

25 The Feast of Age. This was one of the three great

feasts which Manannan prepared for the Tuatha De Danann after their disposition in the manner referred to in note 9. It was called Fleadh Ghoibhhneann, i. e., Goibhneann's Banquet, and its efficacy was such that neither age nor decay could come to the kings. Goibhneann (or the "smith") held a distinguished place in the Tuatha De Danann history from his skill in the manufacture of the military weapons of his nation. He is mentioned in both the Magh Tuiredh battles as having been engaged during the fight in supplying those who had lost or broken their weapons with new ones in their place.

 $^{26}$  Literally: "But there is one thing, however: a dart, &c.

27 Literally: "to go on the same path with her."

<sup>28</sup> Fratricide. This translation does not express the exact meaning of the technical term of the Irish law. *Finghail* (a word compounded of *fine*, a family, and *gail*, a deed) was the ancient ordinary as well as legal term for the slaying of a relative of any appreciable degree of consanguinity, and *Finghalach* was the term for the perpetrator of the foul deed.

22 Loch Dairbhreach. Literally, the Lake of the Oaks; now the well-known Loch Derryvaragh, near Castlepollard,

county Westmeath.

<sup>30</sup> Without a vessel, i. e., committed them to the waves without a vessel to save them,—i. e., without power, or any hope, of rescue.

<sup>31</sup> Lairgnen, son of Colman. According to the list of the kings of Connacht, preserved in *Dubhaltach Mac Firbis's* great Book of Pedigrees, this *Colman* died in the year 638.

<sup>32</sup> Aodh Alainn (rectius Aodh Caemh, "the Beautiful") This Aodh "the Beautiful," was of the Dal Cais line, of Thomond; he was son of Conall Echluaith; he might have died about 590.

33 Sruth na Maoilé, or Sruthar na Maoilé Chinntiré, that

is, the Current of the Headland of Cantire, now the Mull (Maoil) of Cantire, in Scotland. [See the name correctly written Mailé, in the Book of Leinster, fol. 140, b. l.] Ceann-tiré, corruptly Cantire, means literally the head or end of the land; and Mael Chinntiré, corruptly, Mull of Cantire, means simply, the bald or pointless end of the land. The Sruth (or, correctly, Sruthar) of this Mael, is the strong, swift current which runs by it; so that the term Mael, Mull (or Moyle, as Moore calls it), does not properly apply to the current itself, but to the Mael, or bald headland by which it runs, and from which it is named.

It was called *Iorrus Domnann*, now Erris, in the county of Mayo. It was called *Iorrus Domnann*, or the Bay of the *Domnanns*, from that party of the Firbolg who were called *Domnanns*, or the "deep diggers," having settled there under their chiefs, *Genann* and *Rudhraighe*.

35, 36 Innis Gluairé or Glory Island, now Inish-glory, an island in the Bay of Erris, county Mayo, about a mile west of the coast. St. Brendainn, to whom the island is sacred, visited it in his voyage, and founded a church there. At present it is uninhabited; but it contains the ruins of some churches; and leeks and other garden herbs, introduced by the monks of St. Brendainn, are found growing wild in several places. In Irish Nennius, p. 192, it is mentioned on the authority of the Book of Leinster that this island was remarkable as being the scene of one of the wonders of Erinn from the circumstance "that the corpses that are carried into it do not rot at all, but their nails and hair grow, and everyone in it recognises his father and grandfather for a long period after their death. Neither does meat unsalted rot in it."

<sup>37</sup> Literally: "And what he did was to send messengers," &c.

<sup>38</sup> Lughaidh. I am not able to identify this Lughaidh.

<sup>39</sup> Aodh Dubh, called Aodh Alainn, above.

<sup>40</sup> Tailginn (or Tailcenn), an ancient popular name of St. Patrick, derived from his tonsured head.

- 41 Literally "Group."
- 42 i. e. formed and acted on that resolution.
- 45 And the Milesian clans, too. It is strange that the ancient Irish romance writers saw no discrepancy in associating the mortal-immortal Tuatha De Danann with the mortal Milesians, down to the middle ages; but, in fact, they speak of them, even at the present day, nearly in the same manner, for these are the "good people" or "fairies," the popular allusions to whom are so great a puzzle to the ignorant of our history. The apparent discrepancy, however, can be accounted for by their belief (real or pretended) that the former did not, in fact, change their then corporeal for a mere shadowy existence, but that they remained living men and women like the rest of mankind, only with the power of rendering themselves visible and invisible at pleasure.
  - 44 Literally, "Come to have spent your term," &c.
- 45 The Maoil. See ante, note (32). This was what Moore calls "the Moyle":
  - "Silent, O Moyle! be the roar of thy water,
    Break not, ye breezes, her chain of repose,
    While murmuring mournfully, Lir's lonely daughter
    Tells to the night-star her tale of woes.
    When shall the swan, her death-note singing,
    Sleep, with wings in darkness furl'd?
    When will heaven, its sweet bells ringing,
    Call my spirit from this stormy world?
  - "Sadly, O Moyle! to thy winter-wave weeping,
    Fate bids me languish long ages away;
    Yet still in her darkness doth Erin he sleeping,
    Still doth the pure light its dawning delay.
    When will that day-star, mildly springing,
    Warm our isle with peace and love?
    When will heaven, its sweet bells ringing,
    Call my spirit to the fields above?"

- 46 i. e. "And adieu also to our father," &c.
- That no Swan should be killed. This law or custom is probably, at least, as old as this story; and it is also a still well-known living tradition, that the swan also sings its own dirge at the approach of its natural death, in notes as plaintive and sweet as the Ben-sidhe (Benshee). Even still it is considered unlucky to kill a swan. I knew of a curious instance of ill luck attributed to such an act. A man named Conor Griffin killed eleven swans by one shot of a gun at night as he heard them fly past his house, and took them for wild geese. He had been previously a prosperous man, but shortly after, his son was drowned in the lower Shannon, his boats were lost, his wife died, and he never after enjoyed his former happiness; and all these consequences were attributed by the neighbours to the accident of his shot.
  - 48 Carraig na Ron, Rock of the Seals.
- <sup>49</sup> Literally: "The Children of Lir, now, were for a lengthened period, and for a long time suffering cold and wretchedness upon the current of the Maoil, in that way, until another particular night came to them, and they never before found the like of it, or the greatness of its frost, and its cold, its snow, and its wind."
  - 50 The Seal Rock [see, ante, (48)]; not known to me.
- <sup>51</sup> The Mouth of the Banna, that is, the mouth of the river Bann, below Coleraine. Here we have again the Tuatha De Danann and the Milesians brought together as parties between whom there was no difference of human existence.
- 52 Aodh Aithfhiosach, i. e. Aodh the sharp-witted; Ferghus Fithchiollach, i. e. Fergus of the Chess; (but I would rather believe that this last name should be Fergus Fáith-Chiallach, that is, Fergus "of a prophetic sense"). I know nothing more about these personages, however.
  - 53 The Fairy Cavalcade, cavalry, or stud. This is the

popular term for the civic, processional, or military horse-troops of the *Tuatha De Danann*:—

"πό ξίας πέ τρτεας, αη αςτ ξυη ταοιητεας,

Δζ ζιολλιξελές ελό το πλης πλιό δίο το,

1r πά τάς τό čear me ας τεαότ το 'n τ-γαοιμε

An rcéino mhaż Thlair, am rpnear 'ram rpionlac." "Or take me in, though slavish the condition,

To groom the steeds of thy fairy stud,

And leave me not in sadness at the approach of the solemnity,

On bleak Magh Glas, a wretch and a vagrant."

—(from Andrew Mac Curtin's Address to *Donn Dumhach*, the Fairy Chief of *Dumhach Mhor* (Doughmore), or the Great Sand-hills, near Dunbeg, on the coast of Clare, about A.D. 1730).

54 See ante, note (25).

55 That is, a party consisting of herself and brothers.

<sup>56</sup> Manannan. Manannan, son of Lir, but whether of Lir of Sidh Finnachaidh, or not, I am not able to say.

<sup>67</sup> Drom Caoin. This was one of the old names of Tara, but it appears to be used here more for rhyme than for reason.

58 Aongus. The youngest son of the Daghda, and Lord of Brugh-na-Boinné, near Slane.

59 See ante, note (34).

60 Aibhric. This is a name with which I am not acquainted, neither can I analyse it. It is evidently a Milesian name, and probably another form of Ebric, and Febric, a name which occurs in the pedigrees of the Milesians before their coming into Ireland.

61 Literally, "But one thing, however," &c.

62 Acaill; now the well-known Island of Achill in the bay of Erris, county of Mayo. The name Acaill would signify an eagle; and probably it was from this bird that the name is

derived, like that of *Cruachan Aiclé*, literally "Eagle Mountain," on the opposite coast, now well known as Croagh Patrick.

- <sup>62</sup> The six hosts. These must be the Israelites coming through the Red Sea.
- 64 Literally, "And the condition in which they found the place was: deserted, and," &c.
  - 65 See ante, note (35, 36).
- <sup>06</sup> Lake of the Birds. I am not aware of the existence of this lake at present. The tradition about this lake does not appear to have been known to O'Flaherty when he wrote his West Connacht in 1684. (See O'Flaherty's West Connacht, published by the Irish Archæological Society in 1856).
- 67 Inis Geadh, "Goose Island:" one of those in the bay of Erris, I believe.
- 68 Teach Duinn, "Donn's House." This was the burial-place of Donn, the eldest son of Milesius, and leader of the Milesian colony from Spain to the south coast of Ireland. He was drowned, with his ship's company, at the Dunhacha, or Sand-hills, in the west of Kerry, where they were all buried; and hence these sand-hills have ever since retained the name of Teach Duinn, or Donn's House; but their situation has been lost in modern times. I believe it was in the harbour of Smerwick; and that Teach Duinn was the ancient name of the hill and headland, better known in more recent times as Cnoc Brenainn (now called Brandon Hill). There can be little doubt at any rate that the writer of this tale had Brandon Hill, the most western headland in Munster, in view, when he made it the uttermost limit of the flight of his swans, from the other almost western point of Connacht.
- 69 The other Western Islands. The other islands on the Connacht coast.
  - 70 Mochaomhog. Not identified.
  - 71, 72 See ante, notes (31, 32).
- 78 Cill Dalua, "The church of Dalua" (now Anglicised Killaloe), in the county of Clare, founded by St. Molua, or Dalua.



GLOSSARY.



## poclóir.

A, poss. pron. his, her, its, their.

s, rel. pron. who, which, that, what; as nom. it is frequently understood as cheivis an rindia vo cum neam, believe ye the true God (who), made heaven; and as the dative it has the prep. by which it is governed very often understood as caining ré réin so h-ainm a naib mocaomós, he himself came to the place (in) which Mochaomhog was.

a, prep. in; a h-sitle, comp. prep. after; a b-risonairre, comp. prep. before, in presence of.

s, inter. Oh; sign of the Vocative case.

s, sometimes used as the sign of the infinitive mood, as s cup, to put; of the pres. indic. as a verpim-pr pibre, I say to ye; and of the perf. as a vubanc, said.

Ab, subj. mood, pres. and past of assertive verb in; it very often occurs combined with zun, that, as zunab cealz,

that it was deceit.

a b-rocain, comp. prep. with, together with, along with. abain, irreg. v. n. say; infin. vo nav; perf. vubaint; a Déan-ra, pres. emph. I say, also Deinim-re.

aca, prep. pron. at them, with them, by them.

acmaran, -uran, s. reproof, reproach, censure; gen. and pl. -sin.

sct, conj. but, except; act ceana, nevertheless, at last.

Ao, an intensitive prefix meaning very, exceedingly.

áo, s. felicity, luck, happiness.

aoba-bao, s.m. a house, an abode, habitation; aobao bunaio, an ancestral abode; v'ionnruizeavan a n-aobao bunaio buo cuais, they went into their ancestral abode, which was north.

áöbal, adj. great, prodigious.

ábban, s. m. cause, reason; gen. and pl. - ain.

abbuio, s. m. see abba.

ablacab, s. an interment, burial; gen. and pl. ablacce. ablaic, v. n. inter, bury; infin. ablacab; perf. pass. aolacao, was or were buried.

ατηκό, v. a. infin. of αταιη, adore. άτοιατη, comp. adj. very terrible; from usc, fear, dread. Aeoana, adj. aerial, belonging to the air.

sen, num. adj. see son.

Aen, s. m. air, atmosphere; gen. Aeoin.

as, prep. of place, at, as as loc Oainbneac, at Lough Dairbhreach; prep. and sign of the pres. part. as as rulanz, suffering.

AZA, prep. poss. pron. at his, her, its or their. AZAIB, prep. pron. at ye, with ye, or by ye. azaro, s. f. a face; gen. and pl. aizte.

Againn, prep. pron. at, with, or by us.

agallaim, v. n. discourse, converse; infin. o'agallmao and o'azallaim.

azampa, emph. form of azam, prep. pron. at, with, or by me; also agompa.

Azur, conj. and.

a h-aitle, comp. prep. after.

Airmonn, s. m. the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; gen. Airninn.

Δ15, adj. valiant.

A15e, prep. pron. at, with, or by him, or it.

A1510nta, s. f. gen. and pl. of A15ne.

AISne, s. f. an intention, mind; gen. AISIONEA; pl. id.: antifainne a h-aizionea, the weakness of her intention.

AIţte, see AţAIt.

áil, s. f. pleasure, will; gen. áile: ir áil liom, I like; már áil leat, if you like.

Aimpip, s. f. time, season; gen. -ipe, pl. -iopa.

amgionoct, s. f. malice, spite; gen. -10cta: the angionoct éaoa, through the malice of (her) jealousy.

ainm, s. f. a name; gen. anma; pl. anmanna.

Ain, prep. pron. on him, or it.

sin, prep. also written an, on, upon, as ain Snut na Maoile, upon Shruth na Maoile; an noctain a céile bóib, upon the reaching of each other to them, i.e. having reached each other; of as o'sann mm an closum, she asked of the children; over, as if pig mire an tuat oe Oanann, I am king over the Tuatha Dé Danann; for, as, an thi h-abbanaib, for three reasons; in, as an

voman, in the world; an read, comp. prep. during as Ain read chí céao bliadain, during three hundred years; an read, comp. prep. throughout, also an rao and an ruo, as ain read eineann, throughout Erin: Ain ci, on the point (of), about to; An ron, comp. prep. on account of; an o'cuir, adv. at first; ain eagla, for fear, lest; ain ceana, moreover, likewise; ain air, back; ain, prep. at as, an an uain coin, at the right time.

Διηνο-Rig, s. m. a High or Chief King.

Aine, s. f. notice, heed, care, attention; gen. id., see under bein or cabain, give.

A1115100, s. m. silver; gen. A11510.

Δημιζτε, adj. certain, sure, special; 30-h-Δημιζτε, adv.

especially.

Ainim, v. a. reckon, count, consider, think, as ni áinmio eólais ceól ná óinrivead ván clor a n-cininn niam noim ceól na n-ealao rin, historians did not consider any music or delight which was ever heard in Erin, before (or in preference to) the music of these swans.

Ainm, s. f. a place; gen. Ainme; see quotation under s, rel. pron.

air, see can air.

áit, s. f. a place, a situation; gen. and pl. áite.

aitméala, s. an after sorrow, regret.

aitne, s. f. knowledge, acquaintance; gen. id. an o-cabain mb Aitne, do you know, lit. whether do you give knowledge (upon); rean an n-aichio-ne, a man of our knowledge : see under tabain.

Airneab, s. f. a habitation, dwelling, residence; vob' olc

an c-aicheab, it was a bad residence.

Διτρελόλη, s. f. repentance, compunction.

aicheibre, s. m. an occupier, a tenant; aicheibre an reanainn, an occupier or tenant of the land.

álainn, adj. beautiful, fair; comp. áille; or ailne.

alba, s. f. Scotland; gen. alban.

alcais, v. n. pray, thank; infin. alcúsao.

altóin, s. f. an altar; gen. and pl. altóna.

am, s. m. time; gen. ama. am', put for ann mo, in my.

ao 101n, not at all, for ni h-eao 101n.

smac, adv. out: used with verbs of motion only; o ro smac, from this out.

amail, adv. as, like; oo ninneavan amail a vubaint Soire leo, they did as Aoifé said to them.

amáin, adv. only, alone.

amearz, comp. prep. amid, amongst.

amlaro, adv. thus, so.

an, art. the; gen. sing. fem. na; pl. na: interrog. particle whether.

an, v. n. stay, remain, wait; infin. anamain: see also

anam, s. m. a soul; gen. anma. pl. anmanna.

anbrainne, s. f. weakness; derived from the augmentative, and and rann, weak, feeble.

anbrann, adj. very weak or feeble.

anoobpároe, comp. adj. very wet; formed from ooban, water.

anrac, adj. tempestuous, overflowing.

Δηγαό, s. a storm, a tempest; gen. -Διό.

Aniu, A n-oiu, adv. to-day.

anma, see anam.

ann, prep. pron. for him or it; adv. there, therein: ann rin, then; ann ruo, yonder: ann, a prep. of place as ann zac Sioc, in every Sioth.

annam, adv. seldom.

Annyin, adv. there, then.

Annro, adv. here.

Anoce, adv. to-night; see oroce:

anoir, adv. now.

anrocnact, s. f. restlessness, uneasiness; gen. -acτα.

Δητος-οο s. m. misery.

Anuar, adv. down (from above); used with a verb of motion only.

Aoibinn, adj. delightful, pleasant.

A0111, num. adj. one: used in composition with words whose first vowel is slender.

Aoingeal, comp. adj. perfectly or entirely white; comp. -ζile.

Adinpian, s. m. the one i. e. the same path or way.

Aon, num. adj. one; Aon neac, anyone; Aon oo lo, one day; any, as Aon caban, any help.

Aonac, s. m. a fair, an assembly; gen. Aonaig.

Aunosca, comp. adj. of one colour.

Aonap, adv. alone; το bi τι 'na h-Aonap, she was alone; Un a Aonap, Lir alone.

Aonouine, s. m. anyone, any person.

Δοηζης, a man's name; gen. - ης. Δοημαίρ, adv. once, one time.

Aoir, s. f. age; gen. Aoire.

Aor, s. m. and f. folk, people.

άη, foss. pron. our.

Ap, def. verb, says, quoth: only used in introducing a quotation or dialogue.

An, prep. for Ain.

αραση, adj. last night; also αμειμ: απ οιό ce αμασιμ,

last night.

άμο, adj. high, mighty; 30 h-áμο, loudly; a point of the compass or direction as τάπζασαμ ατ ζας άμο α n-ειμιπη, they came from every point in Erin.

spir, adv. again.

anmicaoin, s. m. polished or tempered arms.

áprac, adj. ancient, old.

anoile, prep. pron. other, one another; oo reanadan pailte proncaom prisa anoile, they bade each other a truly joyous welcome.

ar, prep. out, out of, from, ar zac aipo, from every point;

appin, thence.

ar, see ir, the assertive verb.

ATÁ, subs. verb. am, art, is, are.

ataio, s. f. a while, a space of time.

ατάτη, s. m. a father; gen. ατάτη, pl. αιτρεατά and αιτρε. ατάτητη, s. shortness.

actant, comp. adj. very rough.

ba or bub, past tense of assertive verb 17; contracted to b' before vowels.

bac, v. n. prevent, baulk; vo bac perf. prevented.

bávan, see bi.

babb, s. f. a witch, a fairy-woman

baile, s. m. a home, a place, locality; gen. id., pl. bailte, bailer, emph. form.

banneetle, s. f. a wife; gen. id.

bannip, s. f. a wedding-feast.

bainpiosan, s. f. a queen. baipoeao, s. baptism; v. a. baptise.

balb, adj. dumb.

bannoact, s. f. womanhood; gen. -acta.

bappa, s.m. the top of anything; gen. bappa, βl. bappa, bappa a n-erceab, the tips of their wings.

bár, s. m. death; gen. - sir, pl. id.

beact, adj. perfect; 30 beact, perfectly, entirely.

beas, adj. little, small; irreg, comp. nior luga: 17 beas nác b-ruige bár va cumaro, it is little that he did not find death with his grief i.e. he almost died of grief.

bést, s. m. a mouth; gen. and pl. béil; an béalaib, comp.

prep. before, in front of.

bean, irreg. s. f. a woman, a wife; gen. and pl. mná; gen. pl. ban.

beanceile, see bainceile.

beann, s. f. a mountain-peak, a pinnacle; gen. beinne. beata, s. f. life, existence; id., for all cases of the sing.

bein, irreg. v. a. give, bring, take, come; vo beineavo, consuet. pt. used to take; see under cabain: beinio a burbe ne Oia, give ye thanks lit., its thanks, to God; perf. nuz as nuz re Aob leir oá ciż réin, he brought Aobh with him to his own house, so nus ri viar so'n cointeant rin, she brought forth two (children) at that birth; oo baoan man rin, so nus oroce onna, they were thus, until a night came upon them.

beit, v. s. being; gen. id.: a m-beit béo, their being alive.

béit, v. n. infin. of bí, be thou.

beo, adj. alive, living. bí, v. n. imp. be thou, infin. το béit, to be; δάναη, pt. tense they were; fut. biao, shall be. biao, s. m. food; gen. bio.

biamaoio recte biaomaoio, fut. of bi, we shall be.

binn, adj. sweet, melodious.

bίοος, v. n. start; bίοος αγ, pres. hist. starts; ζυη bioogadan, so that they started; infin. oo bioogao, to start.

bioος λο, v.s.m. a starting, a start, a sudden rousing; το ξαδ biooξαδ laingnen, a start took (possession of) Lairgnen.

bic, s. f. life, existence. bic, adj. usual, customary.

bicineacacc, s. f. natural antipathy; from bic, which in composition signifies customary or usual and meacaco, cowardice.

blaice, adj. fair.

bliadain, s. f. a year; gen. bliadins, pl. id., contd. from bliatanna.

bočtan, s. m. a poor person; gen. and pl. -ain. boob, s. m. a proper name; gen. boiob and buiob.

bonn, s. m. the sole of the foot; gen. bunn, pl. id.

bono, s. m. a border, a coast.

bnát, s. m. judgment; zo bnát, adv. for ever, for the future (time to come.)

bnátain, s. m. a brother; gen. -an, pl. bnáitne, and bnáitneaca.

bpéas, s. f. a lie; gen. bpéise.

bpéic. v. a. infin. of bein.

bnéit, s. f. a birth; ruain ri réin bar az a m-bnéit, she

herself died at their birth: a taking, a removing, as ni cualants capato, vá b-ruil azatb, bup m-bneit, ar na peacitath rin, the friends you have (which are at ye) are not able (capable) to take you (your taking) out of these forms; a taking, in the sense of choice, as mapbaro ceachan clonne lip azur vo béan bup m-bneit réin vib vo zac matior ap voman, kill the four children of Lir, and I shall give to ye your own (taking) choice of every good thing in the world.

bniatan, s. m. a word; gen. bneitne. bnón, s. m. sorrow, grief, mourning.

bponn, s. f. gen. of bpu or bpuinn, a womb, a bosom. bponnosta, s. f. a bosom-nursling; gen. id. pl. -oaltava.

bnuac, s. m. a border, a brink.

buail, v. a. strike; infin. bualao.

buam, v. a. strike, ring; a clurs as a buam, the Children of Lir heard the voice of his bell ringing (at its ringing.)

buain-rzinn, v.a. rush about in terror.

buan, adj. long, lasting.

but or buy, v. past and fut. of 17, but is the form used in the text for the future—the same form as is used for the past tense.

buroto, s. f. thanks. buroto, adj. thankful.

burnes of a number of

buime, s. f. a nurse, a foster-mother; gen. id.

bun, s. m. a foundation, a bottom; of a river, a mouth as bun na banna, the mouth of the Bann.

bunao, s. m. origin; gen. - aio; see aoba.

bunadar, s. m. foundation, origin, root; gen. -air: bunadar bliadna, the greater part of a year.

bun, poss. pron. your.

cá. interrog. pron. what, where. cabain, s, f. help, support.

các, indef. pron. all, every, each; gen. cáic.

cáio, adj. chaste, pure; a cléinis cáio, O chaste cleric:

famous, as lin Sice rionnacaro cáro, Lir of the famous Sioth Fionnachaidh.

cailleac, s. f. an old woman; gen. caillite, pl. -eaca. cáinoior, s. f. friendship.

campieac, s. a chariot or carriage.

caite, v. a. eat, spend, consume; infin. vo caiteam: as caiteam na pleive Aorre, consuming the Feast of Age.

callann, s. the calends or first-day of a month.
can, v. a. sing, chant; inf. vo cantainn; perf. po
can, sang; canam, imp. let us sing; po canvaor,
consuet, pt. they used to chant.

caocat, num. adj. fifty.

caoim, adj. gentle, mild; comp. caoime.

caoin, v. a. cry, lament, weep; infin. caoineao.

caoineao, v. s. crying, lamenting; gen. caoince; infin. of CAOIII.

caointe, gen. of preceding.

csoin, adj. fair, handsome, comely.

can, v. a. love; zun can re, so that he loved; zin canadan-ran, so that they themselves loved.

cana, s. m. a friend; gen. canao, pl. canaro and cainoe. canaonao, s. m. friendship.

canbao, s. m. a chariot or carriage; gen. - a10, pl. id.

cannac, adj. rocky, stony.

cannaiz, s. f. a rock; gen. cainize. car, adj. wreathed, entwined, twisted.

cst, s. m. a battle; gen. csts, pl. id.

cataoin, s. f. a chair.

céso, num. adj. one hundred.

ceao, s. m. leave, permission; gen. ceaoa, pl. id. céao, ord. adj. first; an céao oroce, the first night.

césons, adj. the same.

céadóin, adj. immediate, forthwith; always used adverbially as a z-céadóin or rá céadóin, instantly, forthwith. cealz, s. f. treachery, deceit; gen. ceilze, dat. ceilz.

ceana, adv. however, howbeit, act ceana, nevertheless;

an ceana, likewise, besides.

ceann, s. m. a head, end, termination, limit; gen. and pl. cinn: 50 ceann bliaona, to the end of a year; ain ceann, comp. prep. for, used after verbs of motion; an bun 5-ceann, over ye.

ceanntipm, comp. adj. dry-headed.

ceanning, comp. adj. heavy-headed, i. e. weary.

céano, s. m. and f. an artist, a mechanic; a science, art, trade, or profession; gen. céino and céinoe.

ceann, s. m. a corner.

ceachan, s. four persons; gen. -ain: cángadan a némionao iona 5-ceathan, the four went into one place. lit. they went in their four, &c.; ceatpap cloinne, four of the children.

ceile, indef. pron. each other; translated from each other after such verbs as rzan, vealuiz: le or ne céile,

together.

céileabhao, s. m. a farewell; gen. - naio.

ceils, see ceals.

ceincolisosin, s. f. a complete or full year.

ceane, adj. just, right; in composition it adds to the word with which it is joined the meaning of full, entire, complete, and as such becomes come before words whose first vowel is slender.

ceitne, num. adj. four; used only when the noun is expressed.

ceol, s. m. music; gen. ceoil, pl. ceolcs.

cia, interrog, pron. who, which, what; cia an zuc, what voice.

ciall, s. f. sense, reason. ciamann, adj. sad, weary.

cian, adj. long, far; ní cian vo cuaiv ré, it is not far, he went; nion cian tan rin, it was not long after that.

ciò, interrog. pron. what.

crò, conj. though, although; crò thá act, however.

cireao, shall see; fut. of reic. cill, s. f. a church; gen. cille.

cim, see reic.

cineso, s. m. a race; cineso osonna, the human race.

cinn, see ceann; oo cinn, for the reason that; or cionn, comp. prep. above, over; or cionn na o-conn o-chéan, above the violent waves.

cinn, v. a. determine, resolve-on, decide; infin. vo cinneamain; cinneao, perf. pass. was decided-on, often used impersonally as oo cinneso aca, it was resolved on by them.

cinneao, v. s. fate, destiny.

cinnee, adj. certain, sure, accurate.

cion, s. a fault, guilt; pl. cionnes.

cionn, s. m., another form of ceann: oo cionn, conj. because, lit. for the reason (that) a 5-cionn, at the end; an a 5-cionn, before them.

cionnar, adv. how, after what manner.

cium, adj. still, quiet, placid.

clann, s. f. a tribe, a clan; gen. clonne, pl. clanna. claoclaiz-io, v. a. weaken, annihilate; ir é vo claoclaio mo neant, it is it, that has weakened my strength.

cle, adj. left.

cleact, v. imp. use, or accustomed to be, as no cleactar zan bhón né a v-caob, I used to be without grief by their side.

cleamnur, s. m. an alliance by marriage; gen. -uir: 00 cuipeao reara 30 h-ainm a naib lin va nao vamao áil leir cleamnur vo vesnam ne mac an Dazoa, word was sent to the place in which Lir was to say if it

might be a pleasure with him to make an alliance by marriage, with the son of the Daghdha.

clémesc, s. m. a cleric, a clergyman; gen. clémit.

clert, s. f. concealment; 5an clert, without concealment.

cliab, s. m. a breast; gen. cléib.

cloc, s. f. a stone; gen. cloice or cluice, pl. cloca.

cloz, s. m. a bell; gen. cluiz, pl. id.

cloideam, s. m. a sword; gen. cloidim, pl. cloidimte.

clorroin, v. a. infin. of cluin; also clor.

clop, v. a. infin. of cluin; perf. pass. was heard, as no clop to eining uite an preal rin, that news was heard throughout all Erin.

cluice, s. f. a rite, a ceremony.

cluim-fliuc, comp. adj. wet-feathered.

cluin, irreg. v. a. hear; infin. cloipoin and clop; perf. oo cualais, heard; perf. pass. clop, was heard; bo cluineas, consuet. past. used to hear.

clum, s. m. a feather; gen. clum, pl. id.

cnámac, adj. bony.

cnear, s. m. a man's skin; gen. cnip.

cnearait, v. a. heal, cure; infin. cnearutat.

co, adv. like, as.

cobranao, v. s. defence, protection.

cocal, s. m. a covering; gen. -aill: a o-rlact cocaill their garment of covering: in the case of the swans, their feathery coating.

coosil, v. n. sleep; infin. vo coolst: coiveolvsoir, cond. would sleep.

coiccioior, s. f. a fortnight.

coilce, s. m. bed-clothes; gen. id

coim, see cóm.

Cóimoe, s. m. the Godhead, the Holy Trinity.

connectate, comp. adj. equally or as much acquainted:

coimpline. comp. adj. very wet.

combleatan, comp. adj. very wide or expansive.

comméso, comp. adj. equal in size.

coinne, s. f. a meeting; 100AD coinne, a place of meeting, a rendezvous; also used adverbially as ind coinne, against him or towards him: 'nd 5-coinne, against them, or towards them.

cóin, adj. right, just; comp. cóns.

corps, v. a. check, stop, prevent; inf. oo cors.

conteionn, adj. universal, common; 50 conteionn, adv. in general.

coll, s. m. a hazel; gen. cuill.

collan, s. f. the human body; gen. colna.

com, in compound words signifies equally, as much; and it is also an intensitive prefix meaning very or exceedingly; becomes com before words, the first vowel of which is slender.

comact, s. f. power; gen. -acta.

comainle, s.f. counsel, advice; gen. id.

comall, s. m. an act, a deed, performance, execution; gen.
-all; pl. comalcaroe.

comalcao, s. a foster-brother; pl. comalcaroe.

comann, s. m. affection, amity, fondness.

cómaoir, s. a cotemporary.

comap, s. m. power; gen. -aip; ni fuil comap againn, we have not the power.

comoáil, s. f. a convention; gen. -oála.

comμιηταός, s. f. full relief, help, or comfort; gen. -acta. comlung, v. n. lie-together; from com (= con), together, and lung, lie.

compán, s. m. a companion, colleague; gen. -an, pl. id. compánac, s. m. a companion, a comrade; gen. -aiţ; pl. -aca and -uiţe.

compaio, s. m. a discourse, a conversation; gen. and pl.

compac, v. n. meet, unite; no 30 3-comparcread an bean a n-vear agur an reap a v-vuard, until the woman in the South and the man in the North unite.

comur, see comar.

cons, s. m. and f., pl. of cu; used in poetry for dat. pl.

conao, conj. so that; also zonao.

conain. s. f. a path, a way; gen. -sine; pl. id.

conanta, s. m. pl. of conant, a pack of hounds. congnam, s. m. help, succour, assistance; gen. conganta.

cong nam, s. m. nelp, succour, assistance; gen. conganta. conn, s. m. sense, reason; ατά α 5-call αξυγ α 5-conn αca, they have their sense and their reason.

connainc, see peic. conneadan, see peic.

conuize, comp. prep. to, until, unto, so far.

copán, s. m. a cup; gen. -áin.

con, s. m. a twist or turn of the body.

copp, s. m. a drinking-cup or horn; gen. cupp, pl. coppa. copp, s. m. a body; gen. cupp and copp, pl. id.

cor, s. f. a foot; gen. corpe; pl. cora.

corain, v. a. defend, protect; infin. cornat; vo cornopaticond. would defend.

cnábáb, s. m. devotion; gen. - 10.

cnáo, s. m. pain, anguish, torture; gen. - sio. cháo, v. a. pain, torture, torment. cneact, s. f. a sore, a wound; gen. -acts, pl. id. chéao, interrog. pron. what? cnero, v. a. believe; infin. cneroeamain. cheroeam, s. m. faith, belief; gen. cheroim. cnic, s. f. a country, a territory; gen. cnice; pl. cnioca. chiochais, v. a. finish, end; infin. chiochusao. chion, adj. old, withered. chiorlac, s. m. the point where the water and land meets, a limit or border. Cniorc, s. m. Christ. chirlesian, adj. wide-circling; comp. -leitne. cno, s. f. blood, gore; gen. id. choicionn, s. f. a skin; gen. choicie; pl. choicinn. cnoice, s. m. a heart; gen. id.; pl. cnoice. chocal, s. m. a husk, a rind. chuaro, adj. hard, difficult. chuar, s. m. hardness, rigour. chuinn, adj. round, circular. cu, s.m. or f. a hound; gen. cun and con; pl. cona, cuin, and coin. cuacán, s. a bowl, a cup. cuaro, v. n. perf. of cero. cuaine, s. f. a visit, a sojourning. cualais, v. a. perf. of cluin. cuan, s. m. a bay, a haven, a harbour; gen. cuain; pl. id. cuan, s. m. offspring, as oneam oo cuan nożlan an moż, a company of the pure-born offspring of the king. cuanna, adj. neat, fine, elegant. cuar, s. m. a cave, a hollow, a cavity. cuban, s. m. froth, foam; gen. - ain. cuca, prep. pron. to them; also) custa. cusao, -at, prep. pron. to thee. cuzaib, prep. pron. to ye. used after verbs denoting cusainn. prep. pron. to us; emph. motion.

cuto, s. f. a part as applied to either persons or things; a portion of food or drink; gen. cooa. cúτς, num. adj. five.

form cuzainne.
cuzat, prep. pron. to thee.
cuicii and cuici, prep. pron. to

cúige, s.m. a province. cúizean, s. five persons.

cuilce, s. a garment; gen. id. pl. cuilcesos.

cuill, see coll.

cuimne. s. f. memory, remembrance.

cuip. v. a. put, place, send; infin. oo cup; oo cuip pf a neactaib ceitne n-ealao 120, she put them into the forms of four swans; oo cuin laingnén teacta go luat oa tópuizeact, Lairgnen sent messengers quickly to pursue her (in her pursuit); affect, prey or tell on a person, as no cuin rin 30 mon an lin, that told greatly upon Lir (put him about); noca 5-cuippio oppaib beit ann bun n-éanaib, that shall not tell upon ye, to be birds, lit. to be in your birds : níon cuin voinionn ná vonbijíon onna o mn amac, tempest or bad weather did not tell upon them from that out : a cun réin ro zuin zae azur cloioim, to wound him with spear and sword, see note: con vo cun, to stir, to move, to budge.

cuinm, s. f. beer, ale.

cuipp, see conp.

cuintaoi, consuet. pt. of cuin, used to put, &c.

cum, v. imp. shape, form, frame, as a niż vo cum neam ip lán, O King (who) hast formed heaven and earth!

cum, prep. to, for; used after verbs of motion; if an bun ron cangura cum na h-innre-m, it is for your sake I have come to the island.

cuma, sub. model, form, way, as ir cuma vo bi aga náoa,

it is the way he was speaking. cumse, adj. plaintful, woful.

cumact, s. f. power; gen. -scts. cumactac, adj. powerful.

cúmao. s. m. sorrow, grief; gen. - A10.

os, rel. pron. who, which, that, what; becomes osn before past tenses; to whom, as vá v-cuzamain i, to whom we have given her.

os, conj. if; used with the conditional.

os. num. adj. two; used only when the noun is expressed. vá, to or of his, her, its, their, a contraction of prep. ve, of, or oo, to, and the poss. pron. a; as in oa nein, which signifies to or according to his will.

oá, adv. though, however; vá méro cumar vá m-bero aca, however great the power which they might have;

lit. which might be at them.

ολ, used for ΔζΔ, sign of the pres. part. and poss. pron. Δ, as ολ γεοιλό, sailing; lit. at its sailing.

váil, s. f. a decree, an ordinance.

oáls, comp. prep, as to, with respect or reference to.

valta, s. m. a foster-child, a nursling; gen. id. pl. valtava: valta vá valtavb, one of his foster-children; gen. pl. valtavb.

oam, prep. pron. to me.

vamao, put for va m-bao, if there be.

ván, s. m. fate, destiny; gen. ván: a n-ván, in destiny, or in store, as a n-ván vi, in store for her.

osoib, prep. pron. to or for ye,

oaoine, see ouine.

osonns, adj. human.

vap, defect. verb; when followed by the poss. pronouns compounded of Le or ne, it has the force of an impers., as van Liom, it seems to me, methinks.

οώη, rel. pron.; see oú.

οώη, a contraction of ve, of, or vo, to, and the poss. pron.

άη, our.

oe, prep. of: prep. pron. of him.

Dé, see OIA.

σελόλιο, v. n. irreg. subj. past of τέιο.

σest, adj. good; used in composition only.

veagobain, s. f. a good work.

vealb, s. f. figure, form; gen. veilbe.

vealb, v. a. form, make; Oia vo vealb neam, God (who) formed heaven.

vealúża, v. s. a parting from, a separation; vealúża v linne, a parting from us: the infin. of vealuiż.

oealuis, v. a. separate, part; infin. oealusao; fut. oealocaio, shall separate, the person or thing parted from is preceded and governed by the prep. le.

veaman, s. m. a demon, an evil spirit; gen. -ain, pl. id. véan, irreg. v. a. do, make, carry out, effect; infin. vo véanamav; perf. ninne; subj. consuet. past, veánnav, ní véanan a comainle γιη linn, let that advice not be carried-out by us; as véanam τρας, keeping time; vionsnann, cond. would do.

véanam, v. s. make or figure; a making, a doing; gen.

véanma.

Deapa, s. notice, remark; gen. id. a sub. which when used nearly always accompanies taban, to which it attaches force and emphasis in its signification of causing or affecting a thing to be done or brought about.

oeapb, adj. sure, certain, true.

vesης, adj. red, ruddy; comp. veiηςe.

υελης, v. a. make, prepare; minic το σεληζέλοι σμίπη leaba, often a bed has been prepared for us.

σεληπαη, adj. excessive, very great, violent, vehement.

veápnav, see véan.

beappa, see abain.

vear, adj. right; as an leit vear, the right side; s. the south.

υεοραίζ, ν. α. dress, arrange, dispose; το δεοραίζ τι α clúm τάργα, she arranged her feathers over them; infin. τεργάζου.

perlibe, s.f. gen. of pealb.

Deimin, adj. certain, sure.

veinbreatain, } s. f. a real sister.

peine, s. the end, last.

oeineao, s. the end; a n-oeineao aimpine, in the end of time.

veinimre, see abain.

veorò, s. f. the end; generally used adverbially in the form, γά veorò, at last.

peoin, s. f. will, consent; gen. peoine.

oi, prep. pron. to or for her: an intensivive prefix, as in violidin.

Ois, irreg. s. m. God; gen. Dé; pl. Dee and Déite.

Olaiz, with a forms a comp. prep. as in the combinations, ao οιαίζ, after thee; 'πάη η-οιαίζ, after us; της η-οιαίζ, after them; ηοιπρο 'πα 'πα οιαίζ, before it nor after it.

vian, adj. vehement, violent.

σιας, two persons, a pair; gen. σέις.

oib, prep. pron. to ye.

vioion, v. a. protect, shelter; infin. id.

τίξεοlταη, fut. pass. shall be avenged; fut. ac. τιεξεόλατ, I will avenge.

oil, adj. fond, beloved. oinn, prep. pron. off us.

οίο chác. adj. diligent.

viożail, v. a. avenge; infin. viożal.

roioξαι, v. s. avenging; αρ α δίοξαι οητ, for its avenging on thee.

viomoin, adj. very great, intense.

viombuan, adj. transitory, fading, short-lived.

vion, s. m. a shelter, a protection.

viongnainn, see veán.

oine sc, adj. straight, direct. See zsc or zscs.
οιμ, adv., with s, as in s n-oiu, to-day.

oιμίτ, v. a. deny, refuse; infin. οιμίτάο.

on, prep. of, to or for, by or with; sign of the infinitive mood and past tenses of the indicative; poss. pron. thy; prep. pron. to him or it; vo, as a prep. meaning to, is used with the article after verbs of motion instead of so, as ching re vo'n init; he came to the island: vo, an intensitive prefix, very, exceedingly.

oob', for oo bao, or buo, it was.

vobnarve, adj. moist, wet.

pobnónac, adj. very sorrowful or sad.

oocs, adj. likely, probable.

oocan, s. m. hardship, hurt; gen. -ain, pl. id.

voo, to or of your, combination of the prep. vo, and the. poss. pren. vo.

νοξηλιης, s. f. anguish, perplexity; gen. νοξηλιηζε. Δς νέαπαι νοξηλιηζε, grieving, lit. making grief.

vóib, prep. pron. to or for them.

voiż. s. fire; voiż éava, the fire of jealousy.

voilbie, s.f. sorcery.

voilże, adj. comp. of voliż, sore, distressful.

ooinionn, s. f. a tempest; gen. -10nne.

ooinb, adj. unfavourable, hard.

voinbrion, s. inclement or bad weather.

voine, s. a grove, a wood, a thicket; gen. id.; pl. voines vo. vom, a contraction of the prep. vo, of, or to, and the poss.

pron. mo, my. coman, s. m. the world, the universe; gen. -am; pl. id. con, contraction of the prep. co and the article an.

000, see 000.

oneac, s. m. visage, aspect, general appearance.

oneam, s. m. a band or company, a tribe.

υμοιύιος, s.f. sorcery, witchcraft; gen. -10ςτα.

onong, s. f. a company, a tribe; gen. onunge.

ομιτο, v. n. approach, come close to; infin. id.; ομιτοιοπι le h-οιμιοη, let us approach to the shore.

onuim, s. m. a back; gen. onoma; pl. onomanna.

oubs, adj. dark, doleful, black.

oubac, adj. sorrowful, dejected.

oubaine, see abain.

oubpón, s. m. grief, sorrow, sadness.

ouine, s. m. a man, a person; gen. id. pl. oxoine.

ouinn, prep. pron. to us.

ouic, prep. pron. to thee; ouicri, emph. to thyself.

oul, irreg. infin. of céio.

ούριοοιπιοπη, s. f.a thick tempest.

ούτημοτικό, adj. fervent, diligent, earnest.

é, acc. case, pers. pron. he, it; the nom. when the assertive verb η and its tenses are used.

eacha, s. steeds, cavalry.

eac, s. m. a horse, a steed; gen. eic, pl. id.; pip na n-eac, horsemen.

éso, a negative prefix.

eso, pers. pron. it; ireso oo ninne ré, it is (what) he did.

éao, s. m. jealousy; gen. éaoa.

eao, s. m. time, season; ne heao agur ne heamnn, for a season and a time, an expression of frequent occurrence in the text, and seems a favourite way of expressing an indefinite period of time.

éaninan, adj. jealous: from éan, jealousy.

eabon, adv. namely, to wit, videlicet.

ésocnom, comp. adj. light; from éso, not, and chom, heavy.

éavualang, s. m. injury; gen. -aing: recte éavoulang.

éaz, s. m. death; gen. éiz.

éaς, v. n. die, perish, expire; δ'éaςaoan, they died.

éascaonne, infin. and pres. part. death-wailing; from éas, death, and caonn, lament, grieve, mourn, wail.

éaς caomteac, adj. lit. death-mournful; from éaς, death, and caomteac, mournful, plaintive, sad, sorrowful; éaς intensifies the meaning of caomteac; an m-beaca an éaς caomteac, our lives are mournful even to death.

eagla, s. f. fear, terror; gen. id.: Δη eagla, for fear, lest. eaghar, s. f. want. See the quotation under gén; gen,

éazmaire. eala, s. f. a swan; gen. id. pl. ealaoa.

eslso, gen. pl. of preceding.

ealtan, s. m. a flock of birds, a covey.

éan, s. m. a bird; gen. eoin and éin, pl. id.

éanlait, s. pl. birds.

ear, a negative particle; s. a cascade, a fall; gen. eara. earburo, s. f. absence; 'na h-earburo, absent from her, without her; lit. in her absence.

earcain, s. f. a malediction, a curse; gen. and pl. -aine.

earcain, v. a. curse; v'earcain re, he cursed.

έωγξωτό, adj. nimble, quick, active; τέων 50 h-έωγξωτό απ μας, make quickly the grave.

eacan, s. a vessel, a ship, a boat. éigin, adj. some, certain.

eile, adj. pron. other, another.

site, adj. pron. other, another.

éimneao, s. a mischievous intent or purpose. éin, see éan.

éinfeact, adv. together. éinionao, s. m. one place.

eine, s. f. Erin; gen. eineann; dat. eininn.

einge, s. an uprising, a rising; gen. id.; zo thát einge

oo'n lo ain n-a manac, to the time of the rising of the day upon the morrow.

eingeab, const. past. used to rise; imp. éim. s.

éιμίζ, v. n. arise, depart; infin. υ έιμιζιο or υ είμιζιο : micro έιμζιο o'n 10000 γο, it is time to depart from this place.

éir, comp. prep. with oo or can, as canéir, after; oa h-éir,

after her.

éirion, emph. form of pers. pron. é.

éirt, v. n. listen, list; infin. v'éirteact: the person or thing listened to is always preceded and governed by the prep. le, as az éirteact le ceol, listening to the music

eite, s. a wing; gen. id. pl. eiteata; gen. pl. eiteata. eiteotl, v. n. fly; infin. eitell, an eiteotl, flying. eolac, s. m. a learned person; gen. and pl. eolat.

eolar, s. m. knowledge.

ra or raoi, prep. under, as ro na γζία canaib, under their wings; about, upon, or on, after verbs of motion, as το είχοις το 'ingelt gae Laoi rá peannaib imerana na cpice, they used to come every day to feed about the distant parts of the country; throughout, as ro είμιπη, throughout Erin; γά γελέ, adv. in turn.

rá, used instead of the modern bá or buo, pt. tense of as-

sertive verb 1r.

raca, recte reacao, subj. past of reic, see; go b-raca, until (she) saw.

ra ceann, comp. prep. for; when used it follows verbs of motion.

rao, see ain rao.

rao', put for ra, prep., and oo, poss. pron., under your.

raoa, adj. long; irreg. comp. nior raide.

ráz, v. a. leave, forsake, quit; infin. o'rázbáil.

ráξ, irreg. v. a. get, obtain, procure; infin. o'ráξail; perf. ruam; perf. pass. ruamao and rmic; the latter form being that which occurs in the text; fut. ξέαδαιο, ξέαδαιο, they shall get; vo ξέαδαι bár, we shall die; cond. ¿éabann or ¿eobann; another form of the conditional is pagann or puignn, which is always used after 0á, if, muna, unless, ní, not, nac, that not, and 50, that. See quotation under beaz.

rázbáil, v. s. a leaving, a departing, a quitting.

τάιτε, s. f. a welcome; gen. id. pl. -τίξε and -τεαόλ. τάιτιξ, v. a. welcome, greet; τάιτιξιογ, pres. hist. welcomes; τάιτιξιογ Γιονηξιαία το πόη ηοιώε,

Fionnghuala welcomes him greatly.

rainize, s. f. the sea; gen. id.

pairnéir, v. a. narrate, make known, publish; infin. id.

pam', contraction of pa, the prep., and mo, poss. pron. under my.

ra'n, for ra and an, the article.

pan, v. n. stay, remain, wait; infin. o'fanamaın or o'funneac; also an.

paom, v. n. assent, yield; infin. paomao; paomaoan,

they assented.

rappas, s. comparison; a b-rappas a b-ruapasap ap an γημό γιη, in comparison (with) what they suffered upon that current.

ráp, v. n. grow, increase; infin. páp.

rar, adj. empty, vacant.

reabur, s. m. worth, goodness; ann a reabur réin, for his own worth; beauty, as an reabur a n-oeilbe, for the beauty of their form.

reso, see under sin.

réadaim, v. I can or I am able; perf. v'řéad, as níon řéad n, she was not able; ní řéadmadid, we are not able.

réadan, def. verb. I know, but used only negatively, as ni readan-pa, I know not; ni readamain, we do not know.

réazmair, see éazmuir.

reall, s. f. treachery, deceit, falsehood; gen. peille:

reap, s. m. a man; gen. and pl. rip.

rean, v. a. shower, pour, give, make; infin. o'reancam; with pastee it signifies to bid welcome.

reapann, s. m. land; gen. -ainn.

reanz, s. m. anger; gen. reinze.

reánη, adj. better, comp. of mait, good; super. in reánη, best; in reánη vealb azur veanam, the best of form and figure; idiom of the nom. of description.

reara, see mor.

rearainn-ri, fut for rearrainn-ri, emph. cond., I would know.

rearos, adv. henceforth, henceforward, in future.

reic, irreg. v. a. see; infin. o'raicrin or o' reicrin; cond.
το cireato, would see; pres. το cim, I see; perf. το
connainc, saw; το conncavan, they saw.

réroin, s. f. power, ability to do a thing; an reroin, is it

possible? ní h-éroin, it is not possible.

perom, s. m. an exertion, an effort; gen. peaoma; pl. peromeanns.

reille, see reall.

réin, selt; an emphatic affix.

reit, v. a. watch, observe, regard; infin. reitiom.

réit ciúin, s. f. a gentle tranquillity or silence; of the sea, a placid calm; from réit, tranquillity, silence, and ciuin, adj. still, quiet, placid.

reoil, s. f. flesh; gen. reóla.

praonaire, s. f. presence; a b-praonaire, comp. prep. in the presence of, before.

rιατριαίτ, v. n. ask, inquire; irreg. infin. ο'τιατριαίτιο; ο'τιατριαίτ γε οίου, he asked of them.

rioobao, s. f. a forest, a wood; gen. - aroe.

rion, s. m. wine; gen. riona.

rionzal, s. f. the murder of a relation; gen. -aile.

Pionnacao, s. m. a proper name; gen. - aio.

Pionnguala, s. f. Finola, the heroine of the tale; gen.

rion, adj. true; but mostly used as an intensitive prefix to signify quite, complete; sunab fron, that it was true

riopanbrann, comp. adj. quite faint, or weak.

rioncaoin, comp. adj. very or truly gentle, affable.

rionchusio, comp. adj. very hard or vehement.

rιομιπιογελιγ, s. f. great enmity or aversion.

rior, s. m. knowledge, intelligence; gen. reara.

rinoia, s. m. the true God.

ripeolac, comp. adj. very intelligent.

ripinne, s. f. truth; gen. id.

rlears, s. m. a wand, a rod; gen. rleirs.

rliuc, adj. wet.

ro or raoi, prep. under; also ra.

rocain, s. f. presence, company; a b-rocain, comp. prep. with, together with, along with, in which construction it is generally employed.

robail, v. a. divide; pt. part. robailce.

rożan, v. a. serve; infin. rożnam; az rożnam oo niżcib, serving the kings.

rozam, v. a. proclaim, announce, decree; infin. roznao: οο τόξημο aca, it was proclaimed by them.

roillyz, v. a. show, reveal; infin. o'foillyuzao; no

roilly zeso, perf. pass. was shown.

róin, v. a. relieve, help; róinrear, fut. relative, shall relieve: rointion, imp. pass. as rointion leat an ealt in éan, let the flock of birds be relieved by thee.

roinre, adj. perfect, faultless.

rolac, s. m. an outside covering; gen. - ai; pl. - aite.

rolam, adj. empty, void.

rolcao, s. a bathing, a bath.

rollar, adj. manifest, clear; comp. nior roillre,

ro'n, contraction of ro, prep. and an, the; rona, contrac-

tion for po, the prep. and A, the poss. pron. pop, ancient form of AID, the prep., which see.

rononos, adj. renowned, famous.

rór, adv. yet, moreover, still.

rochazao, s. a bathing; rochazao oo oéanam, to bathe, lit. to make a bathing.

rnáoc, adj. fretful, furious.

rpáocraiphze, s. f. a furious or raging sea.

rnearoal, v. a. attend, serve, wait on; infin. rnearolao,

perf. pass. id. rnia, prep. pron. with her or it.

rmomps, prep. pron. emph. form, with me. See also brom. rpir or pir, old forms of leir, the prep. pron. and prep.

rμίτ, v. a. perf. pass. of ráz, was obtained or got. rniceolao, perf. pass. were attended, minded, or cared,

ruscos, adj. disturbed, agitated, quarrelsome.

ruact, s. f. cold, chillness; gen. -Acta.

ruain, v. a. he got; perf of ras. ruain-beata, s. f. a cold life.

ruan, adj. cold, chilly.

ruanais, v. a. freeze, cool, chill ruat, s. m. hate; gen. ruata.

ruige or ruigeso, cond. of rag. ruit, s. f. blood, gore; gen. rola.

ruil, v. is; the subj. mood pres. of bi; used also in negatives and interrog. sentences.

ruinioc, v. s. staying, waiting. rulang, v. s. m. feeling, suffering.

rulang, v. a. suffer, endure, bear; infin. id.

rulang, s. endurance, support, a prop; ne rulang na ruan-BAOICE, with the support of the cold wind.

runáil, v. a. command, require, order; v'runáil re ain, he commanded him.

rucaib, prep. pron. under them; modern, ruca.

ζά, irreg. s. m. a spear, a javelin; gen. ζαe; pl. ζαοι,

ξλετλ and ξλοιτ. ξλε, v. a. seize, take, as in the perf. pass. 00 ξλεκό λ h-eic o'Aoire, her steeds were seized for Aoife; oo καθ δίους αυ Laingnén, Lairgnen started, lit. a start seized Lairgnen; take possession of, as oo 5ab aitneadar Aoire, repentance seized or took possession of Aoife; take up, as of an encampment, as oo ζαθασαη longpone ann, they took up an encampment there; go, as zan a fror aca cá an zababan uata, without its knowledge at them (without their knowledge) where ye went (took-to) from them; decide, settle-upon, determine, as zabam a jun 10nao cinnce coinne, let us decide, O sister, a particular place of meeting; to take a thing (to one's self and feel umbrage), as nion Baib som fean bo'n cuizean rin cuize, act lin a Aonan, one man of the five did not take that to himself, but Lir alone; fall-to, begin, as oo zabaoan na bháiche az éaccaoine zo món, the brothers began (fell-to, took-to) lamenting greatly.

5abáil, v. s. a seizing, a taking; gen. 5abála.

Sabrao, v. they took; emph. past. of Sab.

ξαό or ζαόα, adj. pron. each, every; ζαό αοη, everyone, as zac aon vo clumeav an ceol pin, everyone (who) used to hear that music; zac aon aca, every one of them; when zac or zaca is set before the adj. vineac, it gives to the latter an adverbial force, as paining re 'ran rlige, manbear Jac n-ointoc, he set out upon the road directly south-west.

Zameam, s. m. sand; gen. Zamin.

ζάιη, s. f. a shout, an outcry; gen. ζάιηe; pl. ζαητα.

zainio, adj. short.

Salan, s. m. a disease, illness, sickness; gen. and pl. -ain: Jalan bnéize, a feigned illness.

5an, prep. without; the negative used with the infinitive, as ຽລກ ລກ ກາຮູ້e o'rasal, not to obtain the sovereignty. Jaoroilge, s. the Irish Language.

ξλού, s. f. the wind; gen. ζλοιύe; dat. ζλοιύ.

Sanb, adj. rough, boisterous,

5aroa, adj. brisk, brave, neat.

ze, see zio.

zéabato, see ráz.

zéabam, v. a. fut. of ráż.

zeal, adj. bright, white; comp. zile.

zealán, s. m. a sudden brightness, lightning; gen. -áin.

zéan, adj. sharp; comp. mór zéme. zéanooiliz, excessively distressful.

zéanzanb, excessively boisterous (i. e. an raile), in such cases as these zean may be considered as an intensitive prefix.

zeinn, adj. short; irreg. comp. nior zionna.

zéir, s. f. a magic spell, a charm, an enchantment, a penalty, an injunction; gen. zéire: ir zéir buinn beit ina éuzmair, it is an enchantment for us (we are spellbound) to be in (its) want or need of it.

ze'n, contraction of zio and no.

51all, v. n. do homage or pay respect to, such as inferiors pay to superiors.

51be, indef. indec. pron. whatever, whoever.

510, conj, though, although, 510 tha act, comp. conj. however, howbeit, albeit; also ciò.

zioeso, conj. although, however.

510lls, s. m. attendant; gen. id. pl. 510llsioe and 510llava.

510nna, see zéann.

510ppa, s. shortness; 510ppa raozail, shortness of life. 5lac, v. a. take; infin. 3lacao.

zlacao, infin. of zlac.

zlan-żeal, comp. adj. pure-white.

5lar, adj. green.

5lan, v. a. clear, cleanse, purify.

5lic, adj. cunning, wise.

5loim, s. a loud noise, a roar; 5loim poininne, the roar of the tempest.

zlón, s. f. speech, a voice; gen. zlóne.

Thair, v. n. go, proceed, move; infin. Thaireact or Sluaract; vo żluar re ar an m-baile amac, he went out of the place; vo stuareavan nompa, they went forward.

znát, s. a manner, fashion, custom; vo żnát, adv. usual, customary.

zníom, s. m. an act, a deed; gen. zníoma; pl. zníomanta.

Snuir, s. f. the face or countenance; gen. znuire.

30, conj. that; used with the subj.; no 30, or 30, conj. until; prep. to, which is used after verbs of motion, such as zluar, niż, ciz, téro, and becomes zur before a vowel;

with, as neam 30 na néallaib, heaven with its clouds;

go v-ci, up to, or go ci.

5010, s. f. a wound, a hurt; gen. zume; dat. zum. zonne, adj. contiguous, close by; nan nzonne, near us. zonne, adj. bitter, sour, salty.

zona, also cona.

ξηλός, s. m. love, trust; gen. ζηλότο. ξηλοπολ, adj. detestable, abominable. ζητιλη, s. f. the sun; gen. ζηθίπε.

ζυαγαότ, s. f. danger, jeopardy; gen. - αότα.

guio, v. n. pray; infin. vo guive.

zuin, see zoin.

zul, s. m. weeping, crying; gen. zuil.

gun, conj. that, so that; form of 30 used before perfect tense.

zunab, subj. mood pres. and past of the assertive verb 17.

zur, prep, see zo.

zuc, s. f. a voice; gen. zoca, pl. id. and zocanna.

1, pers. pron. she, her.

i. contraction of 1000n, adv. namely.

100, them, acc. of pers. pron pido, they; the nom. form when used with the assertive in and its tenses.

1 anuap, s. January.

ian, adv. after, afterwards; with infinitives it has the meaning of the English auxiliary "having" in past part, as ian σ-τεκότ, having come; ian rm, after that.

ι spineinge, s. matins, morning prayer.

1anmóineacc, s. f. a pursuit.

1άρη, v. n. ask, seek; irreg. infin. 1αρηαιό; ο'1αρη γην αρ clonn, she asked of the children.

iantanac, adj. western.

16, v. a. drink.

101η, prep, between; also e101η; adv. at all, indeed, as 11 h-e20 101η, not at all.

irnionn, s. m. hell; gen. irninn.

ım and um, about.

imėian, adj. far, remote, long, as le h-aimpip imėian, for a very long time; comp. imėėine.

imin, v. play; infin. iminc.

imine, v. s. playing: the infin. of imin.

impioe, s. m. a prayer, a supplication; gen. id.

impniom, s. m. care, concern.

imteset, s. f. an adventure, expedition; gen. and pl. -acts; lit, a going.

ımtıt, v. n. be-gone, depart; infin. ımteact.

in, prep. put for ann or anny: sometimes used as a form of the article an.

má, a combination of preceding prep, and a, the poss. or rel. pron, in his her, its, or their, in which.

ingean, s. f. a daughter, woman, a girl; gen. ingine; pl.

inteil, v. n. feed; infin, o'inteile.

mir, s. f. an island; gen. mnre; pl. innresos.

inniol, v. a. prepare, make ready; infin. innlioo, perf.

innir, v. n. relate, tell; infin. innpin.

inntinn, s. f. the mind.

10mao, s. many, much, plenty.

າວກລຽລໄປກາລ, s. gen of າວກລຽລໄປລາກ, a mutual discourse, a dialogue; ຈວ ວຸກມາວລວລາ ຳລ ຽ-coinne, ຽວ ກຸລກຽລວລາ ລ ກ-າວກລວ າວກລຽລໄປກາລ ວ່າລ céile, they approached towards them till they reached (into) the place of mutual discourse to each other (i. e. till they were within earshot of each other).

10mainn, prep. pron. on us.

10maρcać, adj. excessive, profuse; 50 h-10maρcać, adv. very much, immensely.

10mos, adj. abundant, as 10mos s m100, abundant their mead.

10moa, s. f. a couch, a bed.

10mgabail, v. n. inf. of 10mgab, go, depart, pass-on.

tomlán, adj. entire, full, complete; 50 h-10mlán, adv. entirely, fully, completely, perfectly.

10moppo, adv. moreover, however.

10mtura, comp. prep. as for, concerning, as to, with respect or regard to.

10ná, conj. than; often contracted to 'na: used also for má.
10nao, s. m. a place; gen. -ato; pl. id.; 10nao cunte coune, a certain trysting-place.

10nann, (see reac) used here for 10ninum, adj. dear, beloved,

desirable.

10nap, s. m. a coat, a mantle.

10 noutpactac, recte anoutpactac, adj. unkind; from an, not, and συτραστας, kind.

1015antac, adj. wonderful, surprising.

10ηξαητας, s. m. wonder, astonishment, surprize; gen. -Δης. 10ηξη ον -Δὸ, s. m. wonder, astonishment, surprise; gen. 10ηξαητα.

1011muin, adj. dear, beloved; irreg. comp. nior annya.

10 nn γ si τ , v. α. advance upon, approach; irreg. infin. ο 10 nn γ si τ τ.

ionnar, conj. so that.

tonnar, s. f. an uncomfortable condition, misery, distress;

ra'n 10nnar rin, in that misery.

1011ητητής, comp. prep. to, towards, and used with verbs expressive of motion, as μάτητης τη μοτηπρε τάτη τη παπαιλ τη ποίουπραιής τάξε, she went forward in that way to the house; το άτοπητητήτο τέτη, to himself.

17, the assertive verb it is; pt. bao, ba, or buo; subj. pres and past. zunab.

ir, a form of Azur, and.

lá, s. m. a day; gen. lae; pl. laete; ón lá anut, from to-day.

labam, v. n. speak; infin. oo labmao and labamo; oo labam rionnguala lé, Fionnghuala spoke to her.

Lám, s. f. a hand; gen. Láme; pl. Lama; Lam le, hard by, adjacent to, as Lam leo, hard by or adjacent to them.

Laoi, s. m. a hero; gen. Laoi, pl. id. Laoi, s. f. a lay, a poem; gen. Laoi.

láp, s. m. the floor, the ground, the earth as contradistin-

guished from heaven.

le, prep. with; becomes leng before the vowel a of the article an; during or for, as no (= le) head, for a time; following verbs or nouns denoting separation, as yan or oealugad, it is translated "from," and with infinitives it has the meaning of to, in order to, as le nige o'fágail, in order to obtain the sovereignty.

le, prep. pron. with her. See quotation under laban. leaba or -so, s. f. a bed; gen. leaba; pl. leapaca. leac, s. f. a flagstone or slate; gen. lice; dat. lic.

lesct, s. f. a grave; gen. lescts.

Leann, v. a. cling, adhere, follow, pursue; το Leannavan a ζ-copa του cannava, their feet adhered to the rock; το cinneat aca lin το Leanmain, it was resolved on by them to follow Lir; infin. Leanmain, or Leanamain.

learaiz, v. a. retain, maintain, preserve; το learaiz re azur σ'rairméir a n-imteacta uile, he preserved and narrated all their wanderings; infin. learuzat.

learmatain, s. f. a stepmother.

lest, s. f. a half, a side.

lear, prep. pron. with thee; also proc: emph. form, learps. léis, v. a. suffer, permit, let, allow; infin. vo léigean,

léigion or léiging; consuet. past, léigead, used to permit.

léis, v. a. throw, cast; infin. léisean or leisead.

leir, prep. pron. with him: also nir.

leir, prep.; form. of le before a vowel; also mir. leicéio, s. f. the like.

leit, s. f. a side; lit. a half.

lem', combination of prep. le, and mo, the poss. pron.: also nem'.

leo, prep. pron. with them: also nin and rnis.

leon, s. sufficiency, plenty.

lia, s. a stone.

Lib, prep. pron. with ye: also nib.

Lic, see leac.

linn, prep pron. with us; also ninn and nuinn: emph. form, linne.

hom, prep. pron. with me; also neam: homps, emph. form. lion, v. a. fill; infin. lionat; vo lion re, he became filled.

Lionnfush, comp. adj. cold flowing. Un, s. m. a proper name; gen. id.

lo, see ls.

loc, s. m. a lake; gen. loca.

locán, s. m. a little lake.

loce, s. f. a fault; gen. loces, pl. id. lorc, v.a. burn; infin. vo lorcav.

lom, adj. bare, lean.

longpone, s. m. a military camp.

Lonnnais, v. n. flash, shine out.

luso, v. a. utter, pronounce; infin. id.

lust, adj. active, swift; 50 lust, adv. quickly. luct, s. m. a tribe, a family, a people.

luccman, adj. wide, capacious.

lugaroe, adj. comp. of beag.

luis, v. lie, rest centre; vo luiseso (consuet. past) re amears a cloinne, he used to lie among his children; vo luis a aigne ain a ceachan cloinne, his mind centred on his four children; alight, as referring to the swans, tuioriom ain an toc, we shall alight upon the lake; infin. oo luite.

luinn, prep. pron. put for linn.

Lunn, adj. gen. mas. of lonn, impetuous.

má, also mao, conj. if; used with the indicative mood. See σá, if.

mac, s. m. a son; gen. mic, pl. id.

macáma, see maccaom.

maccaom, s. m. a young person; gen. maccaoim; pl. maccama.

macramla, s. the equal, the like, parallel. maioin, s. f. the morning; gen. maione.

máż, s. m. a plain.

maille, prep. with, along with.

main, v. n. live, exist; infin. mantain and maineactain.

mains, s. f. woe, sorrow, pity; gen. mainse.

maireao, adv. well, then, therefore.

mait, adj. good, happy, useful; irreg. comp. nior reinn: 17 mait tinne rin, we like that; 50 mait, adv. well. mait, s. m. a chief, a leader; pl. maite.

maition, s. f. goodness, a good thing; gen. maitir. mallact, s. f. malediction, a curse; gen. -acta, pl. id.

maoiti, s. tenderness, gen. id.

msol adj. bald, empty, vacant; comp. msoile.

maolpat, s. m. an empty or deserted rath.

maot. adj. soft, tender, gentle; smooth, as a mait maoit, in a smooth plain.

man, adv. as like; man a, where, as man a nabavan, where they were; man an 5-céaona, likewise; man mn, adv. so, in that manner; man son, together; man Aon né, along with.

mana, see muin.

manac, s. the morrow; ain n-a manac, upon the (lit. its) morrow.

manb, v. a. kill, slay; infin. manbao; muinbrittean, fut. pass. shall be killed.

manbao, v. s. killing, slaying; gen. manbia: infin. of manb.

manciluaż, s. m. a cavalcade.

manchao, s. cavalry.

már, adj. excellent.

már, a contraction of má, if, and ar, is; recte má'r.

mátain, s. f. a mother; gen. mátan; pl. máitneaca. mátnaca, and máitne.

meabal, s. m. treachery, fraud, deceit.

méao, s. f. bulk, size, greatness, quantity; gen. méroe. meso, s. f. mead; gen. mesos, pl. id.: also mioo. mésosit, v. a. increase, add, enlarge; infin. mésoutat. meadon, s. m. the middle; meadon oroce, midnight.

méaouzao, v. s. an increase, an addition. mesonsc, adj. glad, joyful, merry.

meanmna s. f. the mind, memory, intellect; gen. -nan.

meanaite, adj. gen. fem. of meanac, excited, raging.

meanuzao, v. s. a wandering, a straying.

mears, irreg. comp. degree of olc, bad.

méro, s. f. dat. of méso.

mill, v. a. destroy, ruin; infin. vo milleso: pt. part.

milleso, v. s. destroying; gen. mille: the infin. of mill.

mily, s. f. sweetness, gen. id.

minic, adj. frequent; 50 minic, adv. often, continually. miocain, adj. loving, affable.

mioò, see mesò.

mionait, v. a. make-small; formed from the adj. min or mion, small, fine.

miroe, irreg. comp. of olc, bad. mire, pers. pron. emph. I myself. micro, s. due time, a proper season. mná, see bean.

mo, poss. pron. my. moc, adv. early, soon.

mocean, interj. welcome; adj. welcome.

mol, v. a. praise; infin. molso.

mong-zonm, comp. adj. blue-edged or bordered; from mong, s. m. an edge, a border, a fringe, and zonm, blue. mong-nuso, comp. adj. red-bordered.

món, adj. great, large; irreg. comp. níor mo: 30 món, adv. very much, greatly.

món-uallac, comp. adj. very vain, proud, or boastful,

haughty. munnteapos, adj. familiar, kind, friendly, courteous. munnath, s. f. a people, family, or tribe; gen. -tine.

muin, s. f. the sea; gen. mana.

munbrigiean, shall be killed; fut. pass. of manb, kill, slay; recte, manbraidean,

muinn, s. f. natural affection; gen. muinne. mumain, s. f. the Province of Munster; gen.-an.

muna, conj. unless, if not.

mún, a wall, a house, a rampart; gen. mún; pl. múnca. na, gen. sing. fem. of art. an, the; and the pl. form for all cases and genders.

'na, contraction of 10na, than.

ns, adv. neither, nor; neg. particle used with imp. mood. nsc, adv. not, that not; when used it introduces dependent sentences.

naomita, adj. holy, sacred.

nán, that not (= nac and no, sign of past tense) and introduces

dependent sentences, as a oubaint doire zun curo nan Léis lé 100, Aoife said that it was you yourself that

- would not permit them with her.

'nan, a contraction for ann an, in our. See also 10nan. neac, indef. indic. pron. anyone, any person; zac neac,

every one, every person. néal, s. f. a cloud; gen. néile; pl. néalta. neam, s. f. heaven; gen. nime; dat. nim.

neannea, s. f. a nettle.

neant, s. m. strength; gen. neint. ni, neg. adverb, not; ni lugaroe, not the less.

ni, s. m. also nio, a thing, a matter, an affair; gen. neice, pl. id.

nion, neg. adverb, used with past tense, as nion b'ail le fronnzuala, Fionnghuala did not like.

no, conj. or; no 50, until.

noca, pron. that not. nuall, s. m. a shout.

nualloubs, s. m. lamenting.

nimio, we did; consuet. past of znim, I do; also zniomir. ó, prep. from; conj. when, since; ó mn amac, from that out, thenceforward.

obain, s. f. a work, labour; gen. and pl. oibne; pl. also orbneaca.

obann, adj. sudden, quick; 30 h-obann, adv. suddenly.

octa, see uct.

00, combination of conj. 6, and 00, sign of past tense. όζ, adj. young; s. m. a youth; gen. όιζe; gen. and pl.

ożam, s. m. an ancient Irish manner of writing; gen ożaim.

ózlac, s. m. an attendant, a young man.

oroe, s. a tutor, a foster-father; gen. id. pl. ororoe, and oroeada.

orbe, s. m. death, fate; gen. id. orbe Clonne lin, the fate of the Children of Lir.

oioce, s. f. a night; gen. id. pl. oioceaoa: oioce áinizce, a particular night; voimionn na h-oioce ro anoct, the tempest of this night; an oroce anoce amain, this night only; an oroce apaoin, last night; zac n-oroce, every night.

οιζηε, s. f. ice, gen. id.: modern, leac-oιζηε. oil, v. a. nourish, rear; infin. oileamain. oile, indef. adj. pron. other, another.

oile, see eile.

oileán, s. m. an island; gen. oileán, pl. id. Oillioll, s. m. a proper name; gen. Oilliolla.

óin, conj. for, because.

oinbeant, s. f. a good action or deed.

oinbin, s. f. a reproach.

οιρεάστας, s. m. an assembly, a conference, a convocation, a synod, council; gen. - ωις.

omean, s. the sea-coast.

οηφισελό, v. s. delight, entertainment, diversion, melody; η 1ΔΟ Δη σελτραρ μη κά h-οηφισελό σοιδ, these four (children) were their delight; ni Δημήπο εσλαίζ ceol na δηφίσελο μοίπ ceol na η-ελλά μη, historians do not reckon (any) music or melody before (in comparison to) the music of these swans.

ommream, v. s. standing, an erect position.

ól, v. s. drinking.

olc, adj. bad, wicked; irreg. comp. niop meaps or mipoe:
ir olc linn, it is bad with us, i. e. we grieve.

ón, contraction of prep. ó, and the article an; written also o'n.

onόιη, s. f. honour; gen. onόη.

ορολίζ, v. a. appoint, arrange, dispose; infin. ορουβάο.

ομουζού, v. s. arrangement, condition.

onm, prep. pron. on me. onna, prep. pron. on them.

oppa, prep. pron. on them.

onnainn, prep. pron. on us; also onnuinn.

onnuinn, see onnainn.

onc, prep. pron. on thee.

όṛ, prep. over, above; όṛ a leact, over their tomb; οṛ loċ Ότης δεης, over (alongside) Lough Deirghderrc; when joined to the adj. Δρο it has an adverbial effect, as όϝ Δρο, loudly. See parag. 11, 27, 144.

orao, s. m. a cessation, a desisting from.

ornao, s. m. a sigh, a groan.

ράτησις, s. m. proper name, Patrick; ράτησιο παοιπίτα.

Holy Patrick.

pian, s. f. pain, torment; gen. peine; dat. pein. pianao, s. f. affliction, punishment, torment.

peacac, s. m. a sinner.

peat, s. a pet, a darling; gen. peata; pl. peataibe.

ρός, s. f. a kiss; gen. pόιζe; pl. pόζα.

ηλος λιό, fut. tense third pers. sing. of τόιο, go; recte ηλος λιό. ηλός από recte ηλός λαπλοιη, we shall go; fut. of τόιο.

nao, infin. of abann.

nso, infin. of abain, say.

naib, subj. mood past of sub. verb bi, be thou; nabiaoi,

consuet. past. ye were wont to be.

παιό, perf. of obsolete verb παιόιm, I say; it is only used in this tense, as 17 ea ό πο πάιό, what he said is; a favourite way of introducing a quotation.

namic, see nis.

nann, s. m. a part, a division, a detachment.

ηΔċ, s. m. prosperity; gen. ηΔċΔ.

nát, s. m. a prince's seat; gen. náta; pl. id. and nátanna.

ηάτman, adj. prosperous.

ne, prep. see le, of which it is a form.

neam, see trom.

néin, s. will, desire, pleasure; τοση' μειμ, according to my will.

nem', see lem'.

neóro, v. n. freeze, congeal.

η e ό ο, s. frost; - ό ι ο (134).

piam, adv. ever, up to the present; also apiam.

pib, see lib.

ηιότ, see ηιοότ.

niż, irreg. v. n. reach, arrive, attain; perf. painig; infin.

ηίζ, s. m. a king; gen. ηιος; pl. ηίζτε.

nin, s. f. a point, a top; gen. neanna.

ninn, prep. pron., see linn.

nune, irreg. perf. of véan: nuneav, perf. pass. was made. nuocs, s. m. shape, form, condition, plight; gen. neacts. nios, v. a. crown as king; vo nosavo, perf. pass. was

crowned.

nios, gen. of nis, a king.

ηιοξυαίτη, s. f. a royal wedding-feast.

ηιοξηρό, s. m. a royal mansion, a prince's seat; gen. - ηρός, pl. and id. - ηρός ηρος

niot, see lest.

nip, see leip.

niu, see leo,

no, see vo, sign of perf. tense.

no, an intensitive prefix, very or exceedingly. noża, s. f. choice, selection; gen. nożan; pl. nożna.

nożlan, comp. adj. very pure.

nomin, prep. before, in comparison to or with. See quotation under ouncrosso.

noime, alv. before; noime pir, before that.

noimpe, prep. pron. before her.

nomean, v. a. to love greatly; from no, the intensitive, and can, love.

nompa, prep. pron. before them. non, s. m. a seal, a sea calf. nuao, adj. red; comp. nuaroe.

nuz, see bein.

nunn, see linn. nun, s. m. intention, design.

nómeao, s. excess; noméao v'fuact azur iminiom, excess of cold and anxiety.

nómón, comp. adj. very great.

ran, contraction of the prep. ann or anny, and the article an, the.

ráile, s. f. the sea or salt water; gen. id.

ráin, an intensitive prefix. See rán.

rámoióion, v. a. completely or effectually shelter, infin. id. rám, adj. pleasant, still, tranquil, composed; 50 rám, adv. composedly.

ramail, s. a likeness, similitude, resemblance; ra'n ramail

ranneuis, v. a. covet.

raożal, s. m. life; gen. -ail.

raoil, v. n. think, imagine; infin. raoileactain. raonclanoa, comp. adj. of a noble family or tribe.

raot, s. m. sickness, punishment, tribulation.

rán, contraction for azur án, and our.

ráp, an intensitive prefix, very, exceeding great. γáp, v. a. satisfy, satiate; infin. rápam, and rapao rap, a contraction for agur 1p, and it is.

reniob, v. a. write, engrave; infin. reniobao.

ré, pers. pron. he, it.

reac, prep. beside, in comparison with, rather than; roob' 10 nann leo bere ain loe Oainbheac as as allain a 5-cahao reac oul an rhaoc-rainhse, it was more desirable to them to be upon Lough Dairbhreach, discoursing amongst friends, in comparison to going upon the stormy sea.

reaca, see moc.

reacain, v. a. avoid, shun; infin. vo reacnav.

reacnón, comp. prep. throughout; reacnón na mana ro, throughout this sea.

reachán, s. m. a straying, a wandering; gen. -áin.

real, s. m. a while, an interval of time; gen. reals; pl. id.
and realts: vo bávan real rava ro'n ramail rin,
they were a long while in that way.

réan, s. m. prosperity, fortune, good-luck; gen. réin.

rean, adj. old; comp. rine.

reanatain, s. m. a grandfather; gen. reanatan.

reanoin, s. m. an old man.

reanb, adj. sour, bitter; comp. reinbe.

respc, s. m. and f. love, affection; gen. respc and respce; pl. reanca.

reatain, s. f. a sister; gen. reatan; pl. reitne and γεδτηδόδ.

reo, dem. pron. this; also ro,

reol, v. a. sail; infin. reolat; oa reolat, sailing.

rgan, for agur and gan.

τζαη, v. a. separate, part, release, deprive; infin. τζαηλό and rzanamain; vo rzanar bun riol le réan, I have deprived your race of prosperity; lit. I have parted your race from (with) prosperity.

rzanao, v. s. a separation, a parting.

rzat, s. m. a shadow, a shelter, a shade, cover; gen. rzáta, pl. id.

rzéal, s. m. a story, news, intelligence; gen. rzéil; pl. rzeula, and rzeulca.

γειατά, s. m. a wing; gen. -áin. γειπη, v. n. rush off in terror, bound, spring; infin. rzinneso.

rzuabao, s. a sweeping; rzuabao zanb-anraio, the sweeping of a rough storm.

rzuin, v. n. cease, desist, stop, halt; infin. rzun; perf. pass. rzumeab.

pi, pers. pron. she, it; emph. form pipe and pipi. mao, pers. pron. they; emph. form, maoran.

rian, adj. west, westward.

maniear, adj. south-west.

rib, pers. pron. ye or you.

ητό, adj. fairy.

min, dem. pron. that; an rean min, that man; written also rain and roin.

rin, v. a. stretch, lengthen.

rine, comp. degree of rean, old; ir rine, sup. the eldest.

mnn, pers. pron. we; emph form, mnne.

mnnrean, s. m. an elder, head, or chief of a family.

rioc, s. frost; gen. reaca.

riova, s. m. silk; adj. silken.

rioos, adj. fairy.

riol, s. m. seed; gen. ril.

montano, s. m. true or fervent love.

piot, s. m. a cantred; gen. piots and pite; also a fairy palace.

rinbinn, comp. adj. very melodious.

rineaccac, comp. adj. very plaintive, or mournful; from rion, very, and escese, adj. that moves compassion.

riniomain, v. a. perf. second pers. pl. of rin, seek, beg,

beseech; recte riniobain.

ringiubal, pres. part. constantly or ever walking; from pion, ever, constant, and pubal, walking.

riri, emph. form of ri.

ric, adj. fairy.

riceam, s. a pluck, a thrust, a snatch; tuz ré riceam an

na h-éanaib, he gave a pluck at the birds. mun, s. f. a sister; gen. muna; pl. muneaca.

rlabnao, s. m. a chain; gen. - naro; pl. rlabnaoa.

rlán, adj. safe, secure, healthy.

rliże, s. f. a way, a road, a pass; gen. id. pl. rliżce. rluat, s. m. a host, an army; gen. -ait; pl. rluaite. rmal, s. m. a stain, a spot; gen. - il, pl. id.

rmuain, v. n. think, consider; infin. rmuaineao.

rnác, for agur and nac.

rnabaim, v. a. knot, unite, marry; infin. rnabmab; perf.

pass. vo maomao. mam, v. n. swim; infin. oo mam. meact, s. m. snow; gen. -acta. ro, dem. pron. this; also reo.

rocan, s. m. relief; gen. and pl. -ann. roillre, s. brightness, clearness; gen. id.

roimeanmnac, adj. high-spirited, good-humoured. rolar, s. m. light.

rolur, adj. bright, clear; comp. roillre, pl. id.

ron, indecl. s. m. sake, account; an bun ron, for your sake; Ain ron, comp. prep. for the sake of, on account of.

ronnnaoac, adj. special, particular.

rnóll, s. m. satin.

rnut, s. m. a stream, a rivulet; gen. rnota, pl. id.

ruaill, adj. little, small.

rusinc, adj. pleasant.

rúbac, adj. merry, cheerful, glad, joyful.

ruil, s. f. expectation, hope, desire; gen. and pl. ruile; as a paib ruil, at whom there was an expectation.

cabain, v. a. give, grant, pledge; perf. cuz; fut. béapparo; vo béap, I shall give; fut. as formed from bein; vo béanraio, cond. would give; also ciobnao, would bring; ní réavaim aon cabain oile to cabaine onnaib rearros, I am not able to give ye (upon ye) any help henceforward; assign, as cabain

théimre agur ceann buinn an an milleab tugair oppainn, assign to us a period and an end to the destruction which thou hast brought upon us; marry, as το cuaro a 3-céaτότη τά ταθαιητ, he went immediately to marry her; bring, as cuzao acmarán oó rá Jan a clann oo cabant len, a rebuke was given to him for not bringing his children with him (see also parag. 21 of text); take = draw or pull out, as cuz rí réin cloroiom amac, she herself drew out her sword; urge, induce, as an bean cuz one a labnao, the woman (who) urged you to speak; with the substantive aine it has the meaning of perceive, notice, as tuz od sine glón vaonna vo beit ag na h-éanaib, he perceived (gave to his notice) human voices to be at the birds; cus oa h-aine a bnáitne 'na h-earbuio, she perceived her brothers absent from her; cause, as onouiziom 10ηΔο cum a ηΔέΔη, οά ο-τυζαό Οια οηηυιηη rzanao né céile, let us appoint a place to which we shall repair if God shall cause a separation on us from one another; in this signification of "cause" cus is, however, oftener joined to go beans, for the sake of emphasis, as 17 tháis (tus) ro beans, it is the ebb that has caused it: consider, think, estimate, with the subs, uive, as ní tuzavan olová b-ruanavan niam noime mn DA n-uibe, they did not consider evil what they ever had suffered before that; cuz ré va unoe zunab ceals oo ninne an ingean, he considered that it was treachery she had practised; with the subs. coob, it has the meaning of associating with, as cuzadan caob nir an 5-cléineac, they associated with the cleric; ní fuil cumar againn caob oo tabainc le h-aonoume rearoa, there is not power at us to associate with any person henceforward; with the subs. Aiche, it means knew, as cut y aiche uinne so naib an ci a mille, she knew that she was about to destroy them; an o-tabain rib aitne, do ye know (see also parag. 45); make, as tuzavan resomanna rinchuaroe rá na z-collaib, they made very hard efforts with their bodies; turn, as cuzavan clanna lin 10na z-ceatnan a n-aite an an intin, the four children of Lir turned (gave) their faces or faced towards (upon) the woman; yield, as zan umla oo tabant, not to yield obedience; cuz mceam, grasped, lit. gave a pluck; az cabaine acmuráin, rebuking, lit. giving rebuke.

taile, adj. strong, vigorous.

campire, adj. dear, loving, beloved; ir campire thomps an clann pin, 'na mo clann péin, it is more beloved with me these children than my own,

τωιριγε, s. trust, loyalty, friendship; gen. id. nác τωιριγε leir a clann vocup cuzar, that there is not trust with

him to send his children to thee.

talam, s. m. or f. earth, soil, ground; gen. talman.

Tall.

can, s. m. time, used in an adverbial sense as an can rin, then. cana, adj. thin.

canzura, see can.

taob, s. f. a side; gen. taoibe; dat. taoib; pl. taoba; ne A υ-τλου, by their side, alongside them: τλου νο tabaint, to associate: taob ne taoib, side by side.

taobitnom, comp. adj. pregnant.

cap, irreg. v. n. come; also tiz; perf. tánzar, fut. tiocrao; infin. react, tizeao, consuet. pt. used to come; can-

gura, emp. perf. I came; τις leat, you can.

cap, prep. over, across, beyond, i. e. in preference to, as cangura cum na h-innre-ri can gac n-innri oile, I came to this island beyond (in preference to) every (other) island.

tanéir, comp. prep. after; also tan éir.

cappar, an impersonal verb, was shown, was revealed.

cánta, v. defec. it happened or fell out, chanced to be, befell; cápla cubaire món vo lin, a great misfortune happened to Lir; met, as 50 o-tápla ózlác raonclanoa ooib oo lucz, until a young man of a noble family of the tribe met them.

cáppa, prep. pron. over them.

cane, s. m. thirst, drought.

cátan, impers. form of the sub. verb cá; ir olc a cátan againn anoir, it is evil what is at us now, i. e., what has come upon us.

ce, an ce, indef. pron. he that, whosoever.

τελό, s. f. a house; irreg. gen. τιζε; dat. τιζ; pl. τιζτε. cesce, v. n. congeal, condense, as in the historical tense; ceacoaistor an c-uirse, the water congealed.

ceact, v. s. m. from tiz or tan, a coming, an approach, an arrival; gen. - ACTA.

ceasars, s. m. teaching, instruction; gen. - airs.

cestlac, s. m. a household, a family; gen. -115, pl. -115e. cero, irreg. v. n. go; infin. oul; perf. cuaro, went; τέιξοίς, consuet. pt. used to go; το cuaτan, they went; μας το, fut. shall go.

ceils, v. a. cast, fling; infin. τέιlzean, or -ζιπτ.

ceine, s. f. a fire; gen. ceineao, pl. ceince.

ci, with prep. an signifies "about to," as an ci a millee, on the point of their destroying, i. e. about to destroy them; ξο ci, up to, until, as ξο ci an bhác, up to the judgment.

CIAn-cuaro, comp. adj. north-west.

C15, v. n., see cap, v. n.

ciż, see cesc.

cíżeanna, s. m. a lord; gen. id., pl. viżeannaide.

τίζε αρπαγ, s. m. lordship, dominion; gen. - Δ1γ.

cimeroll, s. a. a circuit, a compass; a v-timeroll, comp.
prep. about, around, as a v-timeroll loca Varphpeac,
around Lough Dairbhreach: timeroll is generally used
in this compound prepositional form and in such phrases
as 'na cimeroll, around her, rona v-timeroll, around
them.

ciobnato, see cabain.

Ciocraio, see can.

ciomain, v. a. bequeath, bestow, give; infin. id.

ciomruiż, v. a. collect, congregate, bring together; infin.

rionól, v. a. assemble, collect.

τίη, s. f. a country, a land, a nation; gen. τίηe, pl. τιόητα; τάηξαταη α το-τίη, they came ashore.

tlact, s. f. a garment, a vesture; gen. tlacts, pl. id. τός, v. a. raise-up, lift, elevate; infin. τός báil.

τοιςe, s. a house, a dwelling.

toil, s. f. will, consent; gen. tols.

combeant, s. m. pregnancy.

τοιμόιος, s. fruit, conception, pregnancy; gen. -γ ..

connm, s. f. a sound, a report, a great noise.

conn, s. f. a wave; gen. cuinne, dat. cuinn, pl. conns.

conmán, s. m. a roaring sound, a rumbling noise.

τοημας, adj. fruitful, pregnant.

connao, s. m. fruit; gen. connaio, pl. coince.

cónuizeacc, s. f. a pursuit, a pursuing; gen. -eacca.

cha, adv. see 510 or cio.

τράις, s. f. the strand, the ebb of the tide.

τηλοτλιγ, 2nd pers. sing. perf. thou hast subdued or put down.

τράγτα (30), adv. hitherto, up to this time.

τράτ, s. m. time; gen. τράτα; an τράτ, when, as soon as.

τηάτ, s. prayer time, the canonical hours; pl. τηάταπα and τηάτα; ας σέαπαπ τηάτ, keeping the canonical hours.

the, prep. through, by, on account of; becomes they before a vowel.

cheablaoro, s. f. trouble, tribulation, grief, sickness.

τηέλη, adj. strong, mighty, powerful; comp. τηέιπε.

thesp, ord. adj. third.

theatán, s. m. the heaving of the waves; gen. - in.

τρέιξ, v.a. abandon, desert, forsake; infin. τρέιξελη; perf. pass. τρέιξελο, was abandoned.

znéimre, s. a space of time, a period.

theire, adj. irreg. comp. of laioin, strong.

cheoin, s. guide.

cpi, num. adj. three.

chiall, march, proceed, go; infin. id.

chian, s. three persons.

τριατ, s. m. a lord, a chief.

τροιζ, s. a foot; gen. pl. τροιτελό.

chuaż, interj. woe, alas.

τημας, s. f. pity, woe, wretchedness. τu, pers. pron. thou; τu pein, thyself.

Cuao, s. m. the North; gen. cuaro: τάηζασαη ζο bun na Danna buo cuaiχ, they came to the mouth of the Bann, which was North, i, e, in the North.

cualaing, adj. able, capable.

cuan, s. m. an omen, presage, foreboding; gen. and pl. - Δηγ; cuan cunyre, an omen of grief.

τυαμαγξθάιl, s. f. a report, an account, repute.

τιαητρώπη, pres. part. and infin. beating; τρέωη-τυωητωπη, violently beating.

τιιατ, s. m. a tribe, a people; gen. τιιατα.

τυβαίττ, s. f. misfortune, mischief: see quotation under τάηλα.

tuz, see tabain.

τιις, v. a. thatch, cover-in; infin. τιις 100: Δς τιις 100, pres. part. covering.

cuis, v. know, understand; cuis-γe a lip, understand, O Lir: cuistop, hist. pres. understands; infin. cuistin.

cuill, v. a. merit, deserve, earn; infin. cuillioin and cuil-

cuinn, see conn.

cuippe, s. weariness, depression; gen. id. cuippeac, adi. weary, tired, depressed.

τυιηπ, v. n. descend; το τυιηπ απ ξαοτ πέ, the wind descended with it, i. e. the night.

cure, v. n. fall; infin. cureim. cure, pers. pron. emph. of cu.

(pe) na h-éin uada an an loc, he saw the birds from him on the lake.

uaż, s. m. a grave; gen. uaiż, pl. id.

uaib, prep. pron. from ye.

uaim, prep. pron. from me. uaiin, prep. pron. from us.

uain, s. f. an hour, time; gen. uaine: an uain, when: aon

uaip, at once, at the one time.

vallac, adj. vain, proud, boastful, haughty.

uallouba, s. a deep wail or lament. uaral, adj. noble; comp. uarrle.

usts, prep. pron. from them.

ucan, interj. alas; modern, ocan.

ucc, s. f. the breast, bosom; gen. occa.

uo, dem. pron. that yonder, that there.

urbe, s. care, heed, attention, thought; gen. id. See under cabain.

uile, indef. adj. all; 30 h-uile, adv. entirely.

uime, prep. about, around; uime rin, therefore, on that account.

uippe, prep. pron. upon her or it.

unge, s. m. water; gen. id.

um, prep. for, concerning,

ums, prep. pron. on them, about them.

umac, prep. pron. about thee.

umlo, s. obedience, submission.

úp, adv. very, exceedingly; written ún before words whose first vowel is slender.

unbnumne, s. f. chest.

uncap, s. m. a cast, a throw, a shot.

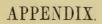
úρέωστροm, comp. adj. very light.

ύηξάιμοιυξαό, to rejoice or rejoicing much.

ύηξάηουξού, s. m. rejoicing.

úηλοδησο, v. s. a speech.

urs, adj. comp. of unur, easy.





# APPENDIX.

#### NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

- Programme of Examination in the Irish Language for Pupils of 5th and 6th Classes in National Schools.
- FIRST YEAR. (a.)—Grammar to the end of the regular verb, with the verbs is and tá.
  - (b.)—Twenty pages of an Irish Phrase Book; or the phrases in the First and Second Irish Books published by the Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language.
- SECOND YEAR. (a.)—Grammar to the end of Syntax.
  - (b.)—Twenty additional pages of a Phrase Book; or an equivalent in prose or poetry to the Story of Oisin in Tir na n-og.

(c.)—Translation of the Second Book of Lessons into Irish.

THIRD YEAR. (a.)—A more critical knowledge of Grammar.

- (b.)—The Story of Déirdre (omitting the poetry), or the Children of Lir; or some equivalent book.
- (c.)—Translation of the Third Book of Lessons into Irish. A short letter or essay in Irish.

Pupils who have made the necessary 100 days' attendances, and who have been regularly enrolled in the 5th or 6th Class, may be examined for Result Fees in Irish. A fee of 10s. will be allowed for each pupil who passes in the foregoing programme, on the usual conditions laid down for Examinations in Extra Subjects.

By Order,

WM. H. NEWELL, JOHN E. SHERIDAN, Secs.

Education Office, Dublin, October, 1878.

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# INTERMEDIATE EDUCATION BOARD FOR IRELAND.

# Programme of Examinations in Celtic for 1884. JUNIOR GRADE.

CELTIC.—Maximum of Marks, 500.

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Thuigheacht Dhianmuda agus Chui	Marks
1. Tóruigheacht Dhiarmuda agus Ghrá-	
inne. Part I. Omitting sections 23, 24,	
and 25.	120
(Published by the Society for the Preservation of the Irish La	nguage.)
2. Grammar.	120
3. A passage or passages from an easy	
Gaelic author for translation at sight. (Help	
may be given by a vocabulary.)	70
4. Short English sentences for transla-	
tion into Gaelic. (Help may be given by	
a vocabulary.)	70
5. Outlines of the history of Ireland from	
the introduction of Christianity to A.D.	
1172.	70
6. Gaelic Spelling (to be estimated from	
the whole of the candidate's exercise).	50
N.B.—In case of grossly bad Gaelic	
spelling, the candidate may be wholly dis-	1
qualified in Celtic.	500

# MIDDLE GRADE.

CELTIC.—Maximum of marks, 500.	351.
1. Toruigheacht Dhiarmuda agus Ghra-	Marks
inne. Part II.	125
(Published by the Society for the Preservation of the Irish La	inguage.)
2. Grammar.	100
3. A prose passage from a Gaelic work,	
for translation at sight. (Help may be	
given by a vocabulary).	100
4. An easy passage for translation into	
Gaelic. (Help may be given by a vocabu-	
lary).	65
5. Outlines of the history of Ireland	
from A.D. 1172 to 1558 inclusive.	65
6. Gaelic spelling (to be estimated from	
the whole of the candidate's exercise).	45
N.B.—In case of grossly bad Gaelic	
spelling, the candidate may be wholly dis-	
qualified in Celtic.	500
SENIOR GRADE.	
CELTIC.—Maximum of marks, 500.	
1. Forus Feasa air Eirinn. Book I.,	
Part I.	
Mac Ghniomhartha Fhinn (ancient	150
version).	

(Both Published by the Gaelic Union.)

	Marks
2. Grammar.	85
3. A passage from a Gaelic author for	
translation at sight.	80
4. A passage of English for translation	
into Gaelic.	85
5. Gaelic spelling (to be estimated from	
the whole of the candidate's exercise.)	50
N.B.—In case of grossly bad Gaelic spell-	
ing, the candidate may be wholly disquali-	
fied in Celtic.	
6. Celtic Literature. O'Curry's Lectures	
on the MS. Materials of Ancient Irish His-	
tory. First Four Lectures.	50
	500

# ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND.

Programme for Examinations in Celtic, 1884.

#### MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

#### CELTIC.1—Pass.

- 1. Irish Grammar.
- 2. Two short easy works, or portions of two works.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Candidates presenting for Celtic must give notice to the Secretaries at least *Three Calendar Months* before the date fixed for the Examination.

The books for the present are:-

Annala piożacza Cipeann, 1 1592 to 1598, inclusive.

Two short poems by Cucoigrich O'Clery, given in O'Curry's MSS. Materials of Irish History, pp. 562-569.

3. Translations of easy sentences into Irish.

#### CELTIC.—Honours.

In addition to the Pass Course:-

1. Annala piożaćza Cipeann, 1598-1603 inclusive.

Oiòe Cloinne Lip.2

- 2. More advanced questions in Grammar.
- 3. Longer passages for translation into Irish.
- 4. History of Ireland during the reign of Elizabeth.

#### FIRST UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION.

#### CELTIC-Pass.

1. Translation from two works.

The books for the present are:—
Οιὸε Cloinne Tuipeno.³
Τεαζαρο Plaża, by Tady Mac Brodin.

- 2. Questions on Grammars and Idioms.
- 3. Translation of a piece of English prose into Irish.

1 4to, Dublin, 1851. By John O'Donovan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Published by the Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language.

<sup>3</sup> The Atlantis, vol. iv., p. 115, &c.

#### CELTIC .- Honours.

In addition to the Pass Course :-

- 1. Leabap bpeachec together with the Ouan Cipeannac, and Ouan Albanac.
- 2. More advanced questions on Grammar and Idioms.
- 3. Early History of Ireland, to commencement of the Incursions of the Northmen.

SECOND UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR CANDIDATES PROCEEDING TO THE B.A. DEGREE.

#### CELTIC.2—Pass.

1. Translation from two prescribed works.

The books for the present are:

Pleo Ouin na n-Zeò.3 Cat Muite Leana.4

- 2. Grammar and Idioms.
- 3. Translation of a piece of continuous English prose into Irish,

#### --- Honours.

In addition to the Pass Course:-

- Lonzer mac n-Urniz.
   Cozao Zaevel pe Zallaib.<sup>5</sup>
- <sup>1</sup> Irish Version of Nennius. Dublin, 1848. Duan Eireannoch, p. 220, &c.; and Duan Albanach, p. 270, &c.
  - <sup>2</sup> See note, p. v.
  - <sup>3</sup> Battle of Magh Rath. Dublin, 1842. By John O'Dono-
- <sup>4</sup> Battle of Magh Leana. Dublin, 1855. By Eugene O'Curry.
  - <sup>5</sup> Wars of the Danes. London, 1881. By Dr. Todd.

- 2. Elementary Philology of the Irish Language.
- 3. History of Ireland from the commencement of the Incursions of the Northmen to the Norman invasion.

#### B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION.

#### CELTIC.—Pass.

1. Translation from prescribed works.

The books for the present are:-

Senzlize Conculaino.1

Scela na Grenzi.2

Compac Pipoiao.3

- 2. Elementary Philology of the Irish language.
- 3. History of Celtic (Irish) Literature.

#### - Honours.

In addition to the Pass Course :-

- 1. Cain aizillne.4
- 2. Philology of the Irish Language. [Ebel's Zeuss.]

#### EXAMINATION FOR M.A. DEGREE.

#### CELTIC.

- 1. bpeata comartcepa.
- 2. Transcript, with contractions fully set out, and translation from some selected MS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Atlantis, 8vo, vol. i., p. 362, &c. Dublin, 1858. By E. O'Curry.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 8vo, Dublin, 1865. By J. O'B. Crowe.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Manners and Customs of the Ancient Irish; vol. iii., p. 414, Appendix. 8vo. London, 1873. By E. O'Curry.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ancient Laws of Ireland, vol. ii., p. 22. 8vo. London, 1869,

The tract selected for the present is:—
The History of Alexander the Great, in the
Leabher Brec.

3. Philology of the Celtic Languages.

N.B.—The Candidates will be expected to show a knowledge of the works of Zeuss, Ebel, Windisch, and other Celtic scholars,

# RULES.

This Society is instituted for the Preservation and Extension of the Irish as a spoken Language.

- This Society shall consist of a Patron, President, and four Vice-Presidents, with Members and Associates.
- The qualification for Membership shall be an annual subscription of at least Ten Shillings, and for Associates, One Shilling.
- 3. The Society shall be governed by a Council, chosen from the Members, which Council shall consist of not less than thirty, including the President, Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries, and two Treasurers. Five Members of the Council to form a quorum.

4. The Presidents and Secretaries of Branch Associations, in connexion with the Society, shall be Members of the Council.

The Council shall have power to manage the affairs of the Society, and to make by-laws for the better regulation of its own proceed-

ings.

 The President, Vice-Presidents, and thirty Members of the Council shall be elected annually, on St. Patrick's Day, by means of voting-papers furnished to every Member of the Society.

7. The Treasurers and Secretaries shall be elected

annually by the Council.

 A General Meeting of the Society will be held annually at such time and place as shall be determined from year to year by the Council.

#### MEANS.

The object of the Society being the Preservation and Extension of the Irish as a Spoken Language, the following means are proposed for that end:—

1. To encourage a familiar use of the Language by those who know how to speak it, and to offer premiums for proficiency in the study of it.

2. To promote the formation of Classes wherever

facilities exist.

3. To encourage the establishment of Parochial or other Associations.

4. To procure that the Irish Language shall be taught in the Schools of Ireland, especially in the Irish-speaking districts.

5. To publish cheap elementary works, from

which the Language can be easily learned, and to furnish same at reduced prices to Classes and Associations in connexion with the Society.

6. To encourage the production of a Modern

Irish Literature—original or translated.

In addition to the foregoing, the Society hopes soon to be in a position to publish a journal partly in the Irish tongue, for the cultivation of the language and literature of Ireland, and containing easy Lessons and Reports of the Transactions of the Society. The Council will also take such other measures as they may deem expedient to further the object of the Society.

# LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Some Local Associations already in course of formation have expressed willingness to be connected with the Society, being anxious to encourage union, which is a sure means of success. The Council have therefore drawn up a series of conditions which, while providing for united action, will yet leave each Association free to direct its own affairs. They also propose a "Plan of Rules" for the guidance of persons willing to form Associations.

# PLAN OF RULES.

1. The Association to consist of a President, Vice-President, and Members.

2. The Association to be governed by a President, Vice President, and Committee of \*

<sup>\*</sup> Whatever number may be agreed on.

chosen from the Members of the Association, which Committee shall have power to receive members, to make by-laws for the regulation of their own proceedings, and appoint a Treasurer and Secretary. — Members\* of Committee to form a quorum.

3. The qualification for Membership to be an

annual subscription of - Shillings. †

4. The Committee to have power to establish Irish classes, and to adopt such other measures as they may deem fit to further the object of the Society.

5. The President, Vice-President, and Committee to be elected annually on St. Patrick's Day—a general meeting of the Association being held

for that purpose.

Members of Associations and others can very materially aid the Society's work, and further the progress of the movement by enrolling Members and Associates of the Society<sup>†</sup>, and forwarding subscriptions and lists of names to the Secretary of the Council, who will send card of Membership or Association to each Subscriber.

#### CONDITIONS OF AFFILIATION.

 An Association must consist of at least ten members, including President, Vice-President and Secretary.

II. Two copies of the Rules of the Association to be forwarded to the Council of the Society in Dublin—one to be retained by the Coun-

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